

# EMPOWERED PEOPLE PARTICIPANT GUIDE — February 2, 2020

# PRIMARY PASSAGE

<sup>11</sup>So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up <sup>13</sup> until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. (Ephesians 4:11-13 NIV)

<sup>12</sup> Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. <sup>14</sup> Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

<sup>18</sup> But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. <sup>19</sup> If they were all one part, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup> As it is, there are many parts, but one body. (1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 18-20 NIV)

#### **ICE BREAKER**

- What is the best team you've ever been a part of? (Could be middle school sports, corporate, paintball, etc.) Or, what's the best team you've ever witnessed? (1996 Chicago Bulls, 2019 LSU Tigers, Starsky and Hutch, Moana and Maui, etc.)
- Recap past values -> Gospel of Grace, Biblical Truth, and Authentic Relationships

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1) Have you ever felt like you don't have much to offer the church/mission of God? What makes you feel this way?
- 2) How does our passage from 1 Corinthians 12 change your frame of thinking about the part we all have to play? What happens when we don't play the part we were created for?
- 3) In Ephesians 4, Paul shares that the works of ministry isn't done by the "pastors/staff," but by the people. How does this change how you view our mission to help people meet, know, and follow Jesus at the Chapel?
- 4) The body (of Christ) is able to work together because we all have our part to play. What part do you believe God has called you to? Where does your gifting intersect with your passions?

## PERSONAL RESPONSE

- 1) The Gospel changes people to change the world. Have you been changed by the Gospel of Grace? If so, how are you now changing your world?
- 2) At the Chapel, we commit to do our part in equipping you to do the works of ministry. What's your next step to becoming equipped to become an empowered Jesus follower?
- 3) Do you have any deep/authentic relationships with others who can help you identify your gifting, call it out of you, and encourage you to move forward? How can you seek to start and develop those relationships?