# Plugging Into Ministry Knowing and Using My Spiritual Gifts What Is Ministry?

### **PERSONAL APPLICATION**

Review the main lesson outline briefly

- 1. What type of work do you enjoy the most? How could you use this to serve God and help meet one of the needs of the body described in our lesson (point IV "Personal Needs)?
- 2. What priority do you believe ministry currently plays in your life? Why?
- 3. What does responsibility mean to you? Discuss some of your current responsibilities. How do you prioritize your responsibilities?

#### **PRIVATE MEDITATION**

Read the Scripture and identify 1 thought to take with you for that day
Write down your daily thought under each day

**Monday** – 1 Corinthians 12:1-7

Thought:

**Tuesday** – 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

Thought:

Wednesday – Acts 2:42-47

Thought:

**Thursday** – Matthew 6:33

Thought:

Friday – Colossians 1:118

Thought:

**Saturday** – Romans 12:1-2

**Sunday** – "The Process for Knowing God's Will &

My Ministry.

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1 Corinthians 12:1-7

- I. The **Definition** of ministry 1 Cor. 12:4-6
  - a. Gifts (4) "Charisma" = a gift undeserved.
  - b. Service (5) "diakonia" service, ministry
  - c. Working (6) "Energama" = the result of the energy of God.
  - d. "Using whatever God has given me to serve Him and others according to God's purpose."
- II. The **Priority** of ministry

  Matt. 6:33, 22:37; Col. 1:18; Rom. 12:1-2;

  Philippians 1:21
- III. The **Purpose** of ministry 1 Cor. 12:4-7
  - a. To accomplish God's will (4-6)
  - b. For the common good of the body
    From lesson 1 Unity, Maturity, Christ likeness, stability.
- IV. The **Personal Needs** of the body Acts 6:1-7, 2:42-47
  - a. Emotional (6:1, 2:42) "complained" to murmur from discontent."
  - b. Physical (6:1, 2:44-45)
  - c. Spiritual (6:2,4,7; 2:42, 47)
  - d. Practical (6:2-7; 2:46-47)
    - i. Individual participation 6:3, 2:44
    - ii. Sense of responsibility 6:3, 2:45-46
    - iii. Proper place in the body 6:3-4
    - iv. Joy and peace -6:5, 2:46-47

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## **NOTES**