

SERIES: CALLED TO FOLLOW

#1809: Join The Team!

What is your part in the body?

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NLT=New Living Translation, ESV=English Standard.

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— Romans 12:3–8 (ESV)

Your Place In The Body

1. Recognize Your Role.

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Online Spiritual Gift Test:

<https://gatewaypeople.com/spiritual-gifts-assessment/study>

2. Revel in Your Gifts.

In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly. — Romans 12:6–8 (NLT)

3. Rely on the Spirit.

Now there are varieties of GIFTS, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of SERVICE, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of ACTIVITIES, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. — 1 Corinthians 12:4–6 (ESV)

Gifts = *charismaton* = Grace Gift.

Service = *diakonion* = Office, Service Opportunity

Activities = *energemeton* = Energy, Power