# BROTHERS AND SISTERS

I've got your back





Discussion
Gu'de

"ONE MORE"
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# Brothers and sisters push each other on

# The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but WE change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- At mc3, God Moments are a chance for us to be intentional about noticing what God is doing in our lives—try to use your week to notice these moments to share in Pr'me. Go around your group and share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week?
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

### The Review (optional)

Use this section only if you want to review for those who were not in the Point

- Have someone explain the Point in their own words.\*
- •What object lesson or illustration was used to communicate the Point this week? How did this apply to the Point?\*
- Have someone read or summarize the main Bible passage/story from the Point (see "The References" section).
- How did this Bible passage teach the Point?\*

\*someone who was in the Point may need to explain this

# The Reenergizer (optional) Use this question if you need to get your group talking

 Would you rather have lungs with gills to breathe in air and underwater OR legs with fins to swim for miles without tiring? Why?

## The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, and more personal, into applying the Point

- Take a few minutes to discuss what symbiosis means, and how leeches (parasites) are different from remoras (mutual symbiosis).\*
- Read each of the verses and descriptions below and <u>discuss how</u> each contributes to a symbiotic relationship in the church:
  - Live Worthy! ...by being one Ephesians 4:1-6
  - Serve Well! ...by using your gifts Ephesians 4:7-13
  - Be Healthy! ...by becoming like Jesus Ephesians 4:14-16
- Read Hebrews 10:24. Pushing each other on means that we have to:
  - Use Our Gifts Romans 12:6-8
    - In the "then" of these "if/thens", HOW are we to use our gifts?
  - Develop Our Gifts 2 Timothy 1:6
    - Look at the metaphor here, how does fanning make a flame?
    - How does that equate to using our gifts?
  - Honor God with Our Gifts 1 Peter 4:10-11
    - In v.10, which Christ-followers have NOT been given a gift?[none!]
    - How does using our gifts bring honor to God?
- How does not using our gifts make us like a leech?
- Which of these is the reminder that <u>you</u> need, and how can WE help push YOU on in that area? Share...then pray for each other:
  - •Is its time to start using your gifts for your Brothers and Sisters?
  - •Do you need to actually put effort into developing your gifts?
  - •Have you forgotten that *using your gifts* for your Brothers and Sisters *honors God*?

#### The References

Main Passage: Ephesians 4:1-16 (NLT)\*selected verses, read full passage in Bible

- ...<u>lead a life worthy of your calling</u>...Make every effort to <u>keep your-selves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace. For there is **ONE** body...</u>
- ...he has given each one of us a special gift through the generosity of Christ...
- ...As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

# Hebrews 10:24 (NIV)

And let us <u>consider how we may spur one another on</u> toward love and good deeds.

## Romans 12:6-8 (NLT)

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.

# 2 Timothy 1:6 (NLT)

This is why I remind you to <u>fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave</u> <u>you</u> when I laid my hands on you.

# <u>1 Peter 4:10-11 (NLT)</u>

God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies. Then everything you do will bring glory to God through Jesus Christ. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen.