

“At the Movies” - Incredibles 2

We all have different gifts, each of which came because of the grace God gave us. The person who has the gift of prophecy should use that gift in agreement with the faith. 7 Anyone who has the gift of serving should serve. Anyone who has the gift of teaching should teach. 8 Whoever has the gift of encouraging others should encourage. Whoever has the gift of giving to others should give freely. Anyone who has the gift of being a leader should try hard when he leads. Whoever has the gift of showing mercy to others should do so with joy. (Romans 12:6-8; NCV)

We all have been given gifts

And Christ gave gifts to people—he made some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to go and tell the Good News, and some to have the work of caring for and teaching God’s people. (Ephesians 4:11 - NCV)

We all are to use our gifts

Christ gave those gifts to prepare God’s holy people for the work of serving, to make the body of Christ stronger. (Ephesians 4:12 - NCV)

When we use our gifts incredible things can happen

This work must continue until we are all joined together in the same faith and in the same knowledge of the Son of God. (Ephesians 4:13 - NCV)

Devotional/Discussion Guide

- Begin with prayer. If you are in a group, this is important and if you are by yourself, it is equally important. Ask God to guide your time.
- Read Romans 12:6-8 at the top of the outline. What stands out to you? Why?
- Now read Ephesians 4:11-13 (each of the three verses can be found under each of the three points on the outline above)
- Why are we given gifts (talents)? What’s the purpose of them?
- What are your gifts? Talents?
- How do you use them? Do you use them? Why or why not?
- How do you use them for God’s Kingdom?

- How many times does Paul use the word “should” in the Romans 12 reading? What do you think he is trying to tell the Romans? What do you think it means for us today?
- What if we don’t use our gifts? What will happen? Why?
- Now, on the flip side, what could happen when we use our gifts? What has happened in the larger church and/or history when God’s people have used their gifts for God’s Kingdom?
- What does this mean for Good Samaritan? What does this mean for you?
- Close your time with prayer. Pray not only for yourselves but for the needs of your group, family, this church and school as well please.