

How Can I Become A Christian?

1. Admit that God is not first in your life and ask Him to forgive your sins. (*1 John 1:9*)
2. Believe that Jesus died to pay for your sins and that He rose again on Easter and is alive today. (*Romans 10:9*)
3. Accept God's free gift of salvation. Don't try to earn it. (*Ephesians 2:8,9*)
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come into your life and be the director (Lord) of your life. (*John 1:12~13*)

What to pray:

Dear Lord Jesus,
I know that I am a sinner and need Your forgiveness. I believe that You died for my sins. Please come into my life and make me a new person. From now on I want You to be the director of my life. Amen.

How Can I Become A Member of Kenmore Community Church?

1. Receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior.
2. Be baptized by immersion if you have not been already.
3. Attend the class "Discovering Church Membership" which is offered periodically through- out the year.
4. Indicate your interest in joining the church on the Communication Card or by calling the church office at 425-486-7487.

Be Wise About Spiritual Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:1~11

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Main Thought: In 1 Corinthians 12:1~11, we learn that in order to serve God effectively, we need to discover, develop, and use our spiritual gifts.

1. BASIC _____ ABOUT SPIRITUAL GIFTS

- 1) Only believers have spiritual gifts. (1 Cor. 2:14)
- 2) Every believer has at least one gift. (1 Cor. 12:7)
- 3) No one receives all the gifts. (1 Cor. 12:27~30)
- 4) No single gift is given to all. (1 Cor. 12:29~30)
- 5) The Holy Spirit gives the gifts. (1 Cor. 12:11)
- 6) The gifts are given so that the church will have unity, diversity, love, and quality. (1 Cor. 12:7,12~31)

2. A GENERAL _____ OF THE GIFTS

1 Corinthians 12:8~10, 27-31; Romans 12:6~8;
Ephesians 4:11~12; 1 Peter 4:9~11 (See Insert)

Some websites that offer a free online gift inventory:

- www.kodachrome.org/spiritgift
- www.churchgrowth.org/cgi-cg/gifts.cgi

3. ABUSES TO _____

- 1) Gift envy
- 2) Gift projection
- 3) Using spiritual gifts selfishly
- 4) Abandoning the pursuit of spiritual maturity

4. STEPS TO DISCOVERING _____ SPIRITUAL GIFTS

- 1) Explore the possibilities
- 2) Experiment with as many as possible
- 3) Examine your feelings
- 4) Evaluate your effectiveness
- 5) Expect confirmation from the church body

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH GROUPS

1. Read 1 Corinthians 12:1~11

2. What insight from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye opening, or troubling? Explain.

3. Why might the Corinthian believers be ignorant about spiritual gifts? (vv 1~2)

4. Paul gives a test to determine who the genuine believers are in verse 3. What is the test? How does it compare to the test given in 1 John 4:1~3? Obviously, a person can say "Jesus is Lord" without being inspired by the Holy Spirit. What do you think Paul means?

5. What do verses 4~6 reveal about the unity and diversity of spiritual gifts?

6. What is the purpose of spiritual gifts? (v 7)

7. Using 1 Cor. 12:8~10, 27~31; Romans 12:6~8; Ephesians 4:11~12; 1 Peter 4:9~11, list as many spiritual gifts as you can.

8. Read through the handout, "The Gifts of the Spirit" from Sunday's bulletin or complete one of the online spiritual gift inventories listed on the sermon outline. What spiritual gifts do they indicate that you might have?

9. According to verse 11, who is responsible for handing out spiritual gifts and determining who gets a specific gift?

10. How are you using your spiritual gifts?