

# Water of Life Community Church

## WHY DO WE DO CHURCH?

### PART 2: WHY YOU NEED A CHURCH FAMILY

#### ROMANS 12:3-8; 1 PETER 4:7-11

#### PARTICIPANT GUIDE

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## ICE BREAKER

## PRAYER

## WORSHIP

## INTRODUCTION

The Bible teaches us that God designed the church as a body. Some people act as eyes, others as ears, and others as the heart. The people in the church help us enjoy life and worship God, and they also warn us of danger. Each person has a particular role to play in the health of the church, and the church suffers if any one of us suffers. The body of Christ is one unit composed of many essential parts for the growth of the kingdom of God.

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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### 1. READ ROMANS 12:3-5.

- How does understanding that the church is a body help us to stay humble?
- What do you think Paul means that each of us has been given “a measure of faith”?
- How close does verse five indicate that we should be to one another?

### 2. READ ROMANS 12:6-8.

- Do you think that Paul’s list of spiritual gifts is exhaustive? If not, what other spiritual gifts are there?
- Why might the gift of showing mercy be as important as prophesy?

### 3. READ 1 PETER 4:7-11.

- What key words or phrases stand out to you from these verses?
- What are some practical ways Christians can maintain intense love for each other?
- How do spiritual gifts show God’s “varied grace”?

d. Why did God give spiritual gifts to the church?

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## PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

## GOING DEEPER/WEEKLY CHALLENGE

### REFLECT

- Which relationships in your life have been life-giving to you?

### RESPOND

- Do one act this week to build relationship with another person.

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## MEMORY VERSE

1 Peter 3:8a, Living Bible (LB)

You should be like one big family, full of sympathy toward each other.

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## NOTES