

WE, THE CHURCH...

A VISION SERMON SERIES



Romans 12

4 Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, 5 so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. 6 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. 7 If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. 8 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. 9 Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. 10 Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other. 11 Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically.



WEEK 3: WE, THE CALLED

Preface.

On this third part of the sermon series, WE, THE CHURCH, we will find out what it means to be a movement of change in this world. One of our core values is TOTAL MOBILIZATION. The idea is, every member/attendee of our church finds their place and plays their role in God's grand scheme of redemption.

Discover.

- In the Bible, the church is often likened to a human body. Jesus is the head (Colossians 1:18), and we are the body parts. We each have our different functions according to our spiritual gifts, developed talents and abilities. If our church is to grow, we must be healthy, and everyone is doing their part.
- Read Romans 12:4-11.
- The main idea of this sermon by Pastor Ta is that, as a church, all of us must do our part in fulfilling God's purpose for us. Here are the sermon points:
 1. **You are called to be part of the whole** (verses 4-5).
 2. **You are gifted with abilities that benefit the whole** (verse 6a).
 3. **You are encouraged to use your abilities well** (verses 6b-8).
 4. **You are compelled to serve in love and honor** (verse 9-10a).
 5. **You are inspired to serve with enthusiasm** (verse 11)

Apply.

- God wants us to use our talents, abilities and spiritual gifts to serve Him in the body of Christ. How are spiritual gifts different from natural abilities and developed talents?
- What talents and abilities do you have that you can serve God with?
- Have you discovered your spiritual gift?
(Scan the QR code on the side and take this *Spiritual Gifts Inventory* individually. It only has 27 questions. Share what you find out!)
- The goal of total mobilization is for everyone to participate and not just spectate. Have you found your place yet to serve in the church?
- This coming weekend, we will have MINISTRY SIGN UPS. You are encouraged to find your place in the Body of Christ.
- Remember, you have a calling!

Pray.

- Share another name on your list from last week and let the group pray for that person.
- Pray that you will step up and serve.