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Teaching Outline
The Church We Want to Be
Week 6

We aspire to _____ .-

There are 5 ingredients God mixes together to prepare us for serving...

God gives us _____ .

1 Cor 12:7-11 (NLT) ⁷ A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other.⁸ To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice ; to another the same Spirit gives a message of special knowledge. ⁹ The same Spirit gives great faith to another, and to someone else the one Spirit gives the gift of healing.¹⁰ He gives one person the power to perform miracles, and another the ability to prophesy. He gives someone else the ability to discern whether a message is from the Spirit of God or from another spirit. Still another person is given the ability to speak in unknown languages, while another is given the ability to interpret what is being said.¹¹ It is the one and only Spirit who distributes all these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have.

God forms in us a _____ / _____ for something.

Neh 1:1-4 (NLT) In late autumn, in the month of Kislev, in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes' reign, I was at the fortress of Susa. ² Hanani, one of my brothers, came to visit me with some other men who had just arrived from Judah. I asked them about the Jews who had returned there from captivity and about how things were going in Jerusalem.³ They said to me, "Things are not going well for those who returned to the province of Judah. They are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem has been torn down, and the gates have been destroyed by fire."⁴ When I heard this, I sat down and wept. In fact, for days I mourned, fasted, and prayed to the God of heaven.

God blesses us with _____ .

NLT Genesis 47:5-6 And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Now that your family has joined you here, 6 choose any place you like for them to live. Give them the best land of Egypt-- the land of Goshen will be fine. And if any of them have special skills, put them in charge of my livestock, too."

NIV Exodus 36:1 So Bezalel, Oholiab and every skilled person to whom the LORD has given skill and ability to know how to carry out all the work of constructing the sanctuary are to do the work just as the LORD has commanded."

NIV Deuteronomy 8:18 But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your forefathers, as it is today.

God forms our _____ .

Psalms 139:13-16 (NLT) ¹³ You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb.¹⁴ Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it.¹⁵ You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb.¹⁶ You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed.

God knows which _____ He can use.

2 Cor 1:3-4 (NLT) ³ All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. ⁴ He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.