



Count Me In

Sunday, February 7, 2016

Lesson:

Today our sermon dealt with committing to service with activities/programs at church. Now it's time to talk through those thoughts and share how we can all find our spiritual gifts.

ICEBREAKER:

Talk about someone you remember from childhood who served in the church - it could be a teacher, a cook, a maintenance person - but share some thoughts from people you remember who did things for the church from your childhood.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Begin by reading out loud these two passages:
 - a. Philippians 2:3-11
 - b. Ephesians 4:1-16
 - c. What do these two passages correlate to each other?
2. How did Jesus serve? It says in Philippians 2:7 he made himself human and a servant.
3. What did Paul give up to become a servant of God?
4. Ephesians 4:11 says it was HE or Jesus who gave gifts. Spend time talking about various gifts that God gave us the ability to do for His church.
5. What is an apostle? Are we all blessed with that gift? Read Matthew 28:16-20. How does this help remind us we can all be apostles of Jesus?
6. Ephesians 4:11 gives 5 gifts that Jesus blesses people with. What are they?
7. What if you aren't blessed with these gifts? Is there anything you can do? Read Ephesians 4:15-16. What gifts can we use to support the whole body?
8. What is a gift you wish you had that you could use for the church?
9. Is there a way to grow into this gift, or support the work that someone with this gift does?