

## *Connect Group Discussion Guide*

SERMON DATE	SERMON SERIES	SERMON TITLE
05/29/2022	Body Life	Serve one another
Message on YouTube	TBD	

### MESSAGE ABSTRACT:

In the church we are to love one another. Our love for one another is expressed by serving one another. We are able to become part of something bigger than ourselves. Each of us makes his own contribution. Each of us is a part, yet the whole is greater than the sum of its parts; we are far more than a group of individuals who band together; we are the body of Christ. We grow not just individually, but corporately; we grow together as a body for which Christ is the head.

We are able to serve one another because of the four “Big ‘G’s” found in Romans 12:

1. God. Serving one another starts with serving God. Rom.12:1
2. Grace. God gives us grace to serve *smartly* Rom.12:3. We usually think of grace in terms of salvation ie. *saving* grace. But the grace mentioned in Rom. 12 is *servicing* grace, to be able to have realistic assessment of how God has wired us to serve other.
3. Gifts. God gives gifts to serve *effectively* Rom.12:4-8. Each of us has a gift by which we make a contribution to the health and growth of the body. We use what we have to help the others grow, and we receive what they have which helps us grow.
4. Genuine Love. Serving one another is the outflow of *genuine love*. Rom.12:9-21. Genuine love is from the heart. It is both affectionate and results in action.

### QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. In what way did God speak to you in the message this Sunday?
2. Paul said, based on v.3 that thinking highly of ourselves is good, but thinking too highly of ourselves is not good. What is the difference?
3. Tell an experience of when someone gave you helpful encouragement.

4. Tell an experience of when someone gave you some feedback that may have been painful but was helpful.
5. What is the difference between serving someone as a duty and serving someone with genuine love?
6. Read Rom.9-21 together. What are some ways described here that you can love someone in your life?

APPLICATION ALERT! Dwayne Nordvold needs help in installing a new storm door at his house. Would anyone be willing to help this brother in his need? Let me know. Thanks.

Blessings to the bros!