



### **Part 4: Power**

In the scriptures, we see people use powerful and miraculous gifts. But what about today? Does God still give these gifts to the church, and if so, what might that look like for us? As we close out this series, we'll take a closer look at what the Bible teaches and how we can faithfully live into the gifts God has entrusted to us.

### **Ice Breaker**

Has there been a time in your life when you experienced something you would describe as God's power at work. How did it affect you?

### **Discussion Questions**

1. Reflect on the conversation between Dave and Steve on Sunday about the 'power gifts'. What stood out to you?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 12:7-11. According to verse 7, why are spiritual gifts given? Who benefits from them? Which gifts are listed in verses 8-10? Which of these might you consider "power gifts"? How does Paul emphasize unity in verse 11? What does this tell us about who controls the distribution of gifts? What strikes you about the variety of ways God works through people? What other questions or observations do you have about this passage?
3. Have you ever seen or heard of someone using one of these gifts (healing, wisdom, discernment, etc.)? How did that experience point people to God? What dangers might come if someone used these gifts to draw attention to themselves rather than to God? How might power gifts help people who are exploring faith recognize that God is real?

### **Moving Forward**

Continue to think about your own life and faith. Where might God be prompting you to use a gift He has given you—whether in your church community, your workplace, or your neighbourhood? How could stepping out in obedience to serve others open the door for God's power to be seen more clearly?