

07 Gifts and Offices of the Church

The church is institutional and organic at the same time. The institutional church provides order and authority while the organic church enables diversity in unity. It is beneficial for the church when the members use their gifts in the right place and are given the appropriate office to serve.

1. The relationship between gifts, service, and activity

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

4 - Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit

5 - there are varieties of service, but the same Lord

6 - there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone

2. The gifts of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:7-11)

wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophecy, discernment of spirits, tongues, interpretation of tongues

3. Gifts in ministry (Romans 12:6-8)

- One who prophesies (corrects)

- One who serves

- One who teaches

- One who exhorts

- One who contributes

- One who leads

- One who does acts of mercy

Sharing

Which ministry are you interested in? Which gifts are needed for that ministry? Also, which office would be appropriate for that ministry?

4. The calling of the office (Ephesians 4:11-13)

- Teacher
- Evangelist
- Pastor
- Ordinary Officer (ordained pastor(teaching elder), elder, ordained deacon) - ordained office
- Interim Officer (권사, 전도사, 서리집사, staff, other offices that edify the church)

5. 7 spiritual means of experiencing God's grace

- Intellect
- Relationship
- Service

- Worship
- Activities
- Meditation
- Creativity

Sharing

How do you experience God's grace? Which ministries could you develop your experiences into?

6. Gifts build up the unity of the church.

Read together 1 Corinthians 12:12-31. Let us remember that the church is the organic body of Christ. And let us desire greater gifts.