

NOTES & QUESTIONS

JUST DO IT!

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ROMANS 12:1-8

Introduction

1. Surrender Your _____

2. Change Your _____

3. Discover Your _____ and Put it to Work

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

1. Just Do It! What is something you need to do that you've been putting off? Why have you been stalling?
2. Recite Christ Community Church's mission statement out loud. Which of the four marks of a disciple is hardest for you? Why? Why is serving something that many Christ followers put off doing?
3. Read Romans 12:1. What motivation does Paul use at the beginning of his serving pep talk? What are some ways in which God has shown you his mercies? Why is this a good motivation for serving?
4. What is meant by the statement "Christianity is an embodied faith"? What are some evidences of the fact that bodies matter to God? (hint: 4 were mentioned in the sermon)
5. Read Mark 12:30. Practically speaking, in what ways can we love God with all our heart and soul? With all our mind? With all our strength?
6. Read Romans 12:2-5. What is the change of mind-set that Paul describes in these verses (i.e. from what to what)? What phrases in these verses describe that change? What might be some of the notable differences between playing for yourself and playing for the team?
7. Read Ephesians 4:11, 12, 16. What benefits does a church enjoy when each Christ follower does their part? Suppose you are talking to someone who regularly attends CCC but hasn't yet found a place to serve. What might you say to encourage them to do so?
8. Read Romans 12:6-8, 1 Corinthians 12:27, 28, and 1 Peter 4:9-11. Note all the spiritual gifts that you find in these verses. Do you see evidence of any of these in your own life? (Note: these lists are not complete. They are intended to be samplings.) How might you know that you have a certain spiritual gift? What's the difference between spiritual gifts and natural abilities?
9. Go through the letter of the S.H.A.P.E. acronym one at a time. What does each letter stand for? Describe what each of these categories looks like in your life (e.g. What is your heart/passion, what are your abilities, and so on.).
10. Does a person need to discover their S.H.A.P.E. before serving at Christ Community? What is Paul's one main point in verses 6-8?
11. What volunteer positions at Christ Community might best fit your S.H.A.P.E.?
12. If you are not currently serving at Christ Community, what's holding you back - and how could you move forward? If you are serving, what do you enjoy the most about it?