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## Ready:

"If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly." Romans 12:6-8

## Set

Teams are built in a variety of ways. Some are built to run behind a big offensive line with a great running back, while others are built to line up with a mindset where players are skilled to dominate on the defensive side of the ball. Although each team is built to suit different strengths, all teams are built to ultimately accomplish the goal of winning games.

We are individual parts that make up the body of Christ, and we are all built to accomplish different tasks. Some are gifted to serve others, to be a servant leader, to encourage, and to teach. Although we are not all gifted to do the same task by the Holy Spirit, all of these gifts and many more, lead to the same end result: to build up the Church and glorify our Heavenly Father.

Thus, we must each begin by determining how the Holy Spirit has gifted us. From there, as a believer, you must find where God is leading you to use your abilities to further the work of His Church and to glorify His name. So how about you? Pray that God reveals your gifts, and then set out and use them to accomplish the win: that is, glorifying Him!

#### Go

- 1. What gifts has the Holy Spirit given you and how can you use this to glorify Him?
- 2. In Matthew 20:28, Jesus tells the disciples that He "...came not be served but to serve others..." If that is the example Christ set for us to follow, how can we better serve those around us?

## Workout

1 Peter 4:10-11; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

## Overtime

"Heavenly Father, thank You for the talents and gifts that You have given me. Today, I ask that You help me use them to the fullest as I seek to honor and glorify You. I also ask that You give me the opportunity to use my gifts wherever I may find myself that others would see You. Amen."

## **Bible Reference:**

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