

DISCUSSION GUIDE
JULY 22 & 23

BROKEN

A STUDY IN 1 CORINTHIANS

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I CORINTHIANS 12 & 13 | WEEK 7

Opening Questions

1. Describe different ways the word spiritual is understood by people who are not Christians.
2. What are the most common ways we discriminate within the church, i.e., act superior, look down on others, etc.?
3. What questions would you like to be able to ask Paul about [1 Corinthians 12](#) and [13](#)?

In the Word

1. Read [1 Corinthians 12](#).
2. In [12:1-11](#), what does Paul describe as the point or purpose of spiritual gifts?
3. Paul emphasizes early in [chapter 12](#) the Spirit is the source of these gifts. Where do they NOT come from and why is this important?
4. If we think of other Christians as members of Christ Himself, how would that affect the way we view and treat them?
5. Looking at [verses 21-31](#), what body parts do we tend to treat more or less important? Why?
6. Read [1 Corinthians 13](#).
7. This chapter is a continuation of [chapter 12](#). How do the things that Paul calls less important than love in [chapter 13](#) relate to what was just read in [chapter 12](#)?
8. Describe the contrast between [13:4-7](#) and today's values of the world.
9. What do [verses 13:8-13](#) promise about the future?
10. Why does Paul say that love is greater than either faith or hope in [verse 13](#)?

Making It Personal

1. Describe ways you have equal concern for others in the church—to suffer and rejoice with them. Discuss how could this happen more often.
2. What are important ways Christians can connect and care for other Christians around the globe?
3. Referring back to [verse 13](#), describe some specific ways, or individuals, God desires for you to love. What are specific steps you could take this week at home, work, neighborhood, Home Team, and church to demonstrate Christ's love?
4. Pray for Pathway Church to be a church where love and unity prevail.

Continued Learning

1. Visit The Voice of the Martyrs web site, persecution.com, to learn about Christian brothers and sisters in other countries. Discuss how your Home Team can begin to love people outside Pathway Church.

Additional Notes