I. Synopsis

God has His thumbprint on our lives, as our Creator. He knows each of us intimately. He has a plan and purpose for our lives. Are we willing to do the hard work of listening and following the plan?

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II. Ice Breaker Question

Have you ever participated on a productive or successful team? What made it productive?

III. **Scripture**: I Corinthians 12:4-31 (ESV)

IV. Discussion Questions

1. What are your thoughts when you read that God gives to you gifts (vs. 7)? If you know what your gifts, what are they? How are you able to use your gifts in your home and vocational life? How are you able to use your gifts to serve at church?

2. Paul, a Roman citizen uses the metaphor of the body. This metaphor is a familiar metaphor used in the Roman culture to describe the political and socioeconomic system. The belly represented the ruling class, those with wealth. The limbs represented the working class. What does this imply? How is this different from what Paul teaches in the passage? What are the differences and similarities with Western 21st century culture?

3. God intentionally created us so that we have to work together in order to accomplish His purposes. Why do think this is the case? How do you witness the body of Christ working together?

Digger Deeper

Paul lists seventeen different gifts in total. These gifts are found in the following letters: Romans 12:6-8, Ephesians 4:11-16, including I Corinthians 12:4-31. Make a list of all of the gifts. Why do think Paul writes to three different churches regarding gifts and working together as a body?

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