

Study Question (Optional – time and desire allowing)

The word Paul uses in Ephesians 4:10 commonly translated as “fill” is a rich word. Read the following passages and take note of what kind of a filling or fullness Paul is describing. How does this help you understand what it means for Christ to fill all things?

Romans 15:13

2 Corinthians 7:4

Ephesians 1:23; 3:19; 5:18

Philippians 1:11

Colossians 2:10

Memorization Challenge Reminder

For those of you who have committed to memorizing the book of Ephesians, this is just a friendly reminder to keep at it!



Our Church, Part 2
Ephesians 4:7-10

Review

Last week Ben shared Joshua Harris' marks of genuine church involvement: (1) You join, (2) you make the local church a priority, (3) you make the pastor's job a joy, (4) you find ways to serve, (5) you give, (6) you connect with people, (7) you share your passions.

Using this list as a guideline, how would you evaluate your own involvement at VBC? Are there specific things you or the church could do to increase our unity and commitment as a church?

Looking Closer at the Passage

7 How would you describe the difference between a natural talent and a spiritual gift?

Have you ever struggled with jealousy towards someone who seems to have a greater “measure” of giftedness than you? How should we think about the reality of differing degrees of giftedness?

When you think about using your spiritual giftedness, does that seem exciting, burdensome, scary, or confusing?

8-10 Describe how the spiritual giftedness of every Christian is connected to the triumph of Christ in verses 8-10 and the ultimate goal of Christ filling all things? How does this truth affect your Christian service?

Review:

The Church is the **Body** of Christ (1:22-23)

The Church is the **Bride** of Christ (5:25-32)

God's **Glory** is **displayed** through the Church (3:10, 21)

❖ Every _____ of His Body is given a
_____ (7)

_____ has a gift

Our gifts are His _____

They are given for His _____

Each one has a different _____ for ministry

Spiritual gifts _____

❖ Our motivation to serve is _____ (8)

❖ Our motivation to serve is His _____ (9-10)

Notes: