

Northland Christian Church

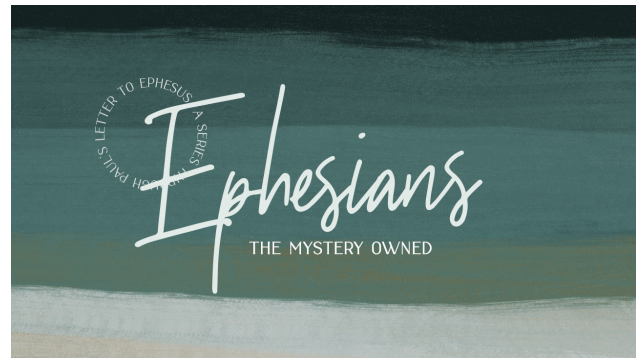
Group Discussion Guide

Series: Ephesians – The Mystery Owned

Title: Run the Play

Text: Ephesians 4:7-13

Date: January 10, 2021



How to Use This Guide

• Use the questions in each section below as a springboard for discussion. Do not feel like you have to follow the study guide religiously or hit every question. These questions are designed to help spark discussion. Refer to as needed.

Connection and Introduction

(give each person an opportunity to answer some of the following as you feel is beneficial for your group)

- When you were a child, what did you want to be when you grew up, and why?
- Do you feel called to your career? If so, how did you send that calling?
- What other things are we called to besides careers?
- What do you think the Church owes to citizens and the community?

Engage the Scriptures

- **Read Ephesians 4:7-13 with the group.**

Discussion Questions

We should pursue living out what Jesus has done for us. We should leverage the grace-given gifts for Jesus in a United Effort. With Jesus and with His local church. You are not designed for the stands, you're designed for the game.

- **Reread Ephesians 4:7**

1. How has grace been given to you? How have you practically seen the grace of Jesus in your life?
2. How have you experienced love and growth in the church? Who helped you?

- **Reread Ephesians 4:11-13**

You are given a grace-filled gift to be a grace-filled gift to the church.

3. According to this passage: What is God's calling for His people?

4. What is Christ's goal in giving spiritual gifts to His people?
5. How has the diversity of giftedness in the church benefited and blessed you?
6. How can you be a "grace-filled gift to the church"? Discuss the ways you think God has gifted you, whether through training, life experiences, or conviction.
7. What would it look like to exercise these gifts not merely for yourself, but for the good of the church?
8. How can you grow in the gifts God has given you?

Apply It - Time in Prayer

Spend time praying for each other - that we might work toward reminding one another of who we are in Christ together. Pray that, in truth and love, we might use our gifts, resources, and passions to build one another up to look, love, and act more like Jesus.