

Unleashing the Power of the Church

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- **What is the relationship between the Clergy** (leaders who are vocational or full-time in the Church) **and the Laity or Lay people** (the rest of the congregation)?
- **What happens when pastors and church leaders are inappropriately elevated or put on a pedestal?**
- **The Early Church began in Acts 2:41 by having every person ministering to one another.**
- **Then progressively, the church leaders began narrowing the focus of who would be seen as “ministers,” and teachings about the “priesthood of all believers” and spiritual gifts were set aside for many years.**
- **In the latter part of the Twentieth Century, the church rediscovered the teaching of Spiritual Gifts and the equipping of every believer for ministry.**

- **I Peter 4:10** NLT
God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.

- **Pastors and church leaders were not to be the only “ministers” but were to train and equip their people for a life of enjoyable ministry.** Ephesians 4:11-16

- **The gifts God has endowed you with as a believer are to be used to support and build up the lives of others in their faith.**

- **What you do with your life and spiritual gifts can be the most enjoyable and meaningful part of your life.**

- **Have you considered how you can discover your spiritual gifts? Call the church office or Pastor Sam Summers for information, 922-0190.**

Guest Information

- We certainly hope you have a great experience with us today at Journey Church. Please fill out an Information Card so we can become better acquainted with you.
- If you have kids, we invite you to check out our Children’s Ministry Programs. Information is available at the Children’s Check-In Table down the hallway from the Lobby.
- Please stop by Guest Central at the back of the Worship Center after the service as we have a gift for you. If you need more information about what’s happening at Journey, the Guest Central staff will be delighted to assist you.