

**Reading:** Ephesians 2:19-22

**Topic:** Where Do I Fit In?

**INTRODUCTION:** Once we discover our design and our place, the next \_\_\_\_\_ is to prepare for the ministry that God has planned for us and to become an effective \_\_\_\_\_.

## I. THE MINISTRIES:

### A. Welcome & Greeters:

1. Someone has said that \_\_\_\_\_ impressions are lasting impressions, so it is extremely important for those who become involved in the welcome and greeter \_\_\_\_\_ to be at their best.
2. Neatly and modestly dressed, smelling nicely and wearing a warm \_\_\_\_\_, the first people that new visitors as well as the regular members meet are the welcome and greeters \_\_\_\_\_ so it must be done well and with sincerity.
3. One bad experience for a new visitor can cause them to make a \_\_\_\_\_ to not return, thus perhaps causing them to be \_\_\_\_\_ forever and we don't want that to happen. Lk. 17:1,2

### B. Ushers:

1. The ushers are the \_\_\_\_\_ experience that first time guests meet, so again it is vitally important that great \_\_\_\_\_ is taken to treat people with the utmost respect and courtesy in seating them.
2. It is best to be always aware of the seating in your \_\_\_\_\_ so that when people arrive, you can lead them to available seating rather than just \_\_\_\_\_ you finger to some location.
3. If a difficult situation arises that you may have to \_\_\_\_\_ with, try to do it as quietly and with the least disturbance as \_\_\_\_\_ so as not to disturb the entire congregation. Mt. 5:9

### C. Members & Worshippers:

1. You may not be a greeter or an usher, but if you are an attendee and a \_\_\_\_\_, you also have an important role to \_\_\_\_\_ in making guests and strangers feel at ease and welcomed.
2. Your conduct in the \_\_\_\_\_ will be observed by others, so it is vital that you be a good example of a friendly Christian and a good example of \_\_\_\_\_ and participation in the meeting.
3. You can either make or \_\_\_\_\_ a relationship with a new family or individual by your conduct toward them, causing them to either become \_\_\_\_\_ of the church and be saved, or to drive them away.
4. Everyone has their favorite place to \_\_\_\_\_ in the sanctuary, but do not become so possessive of your seat that you ask someone to \_\_\_\_\_ if you find them sitting in your favorite place.

### D. Music and Worship Teams:

1. If you have a talent for music and or singing, God may lead you to become \_\_\_\_\_ in the ministry of leading people into the presence of God through \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The music ministry is vital to the \_\_\_\_\_ as this time focuses on God and His presence and power, causing people to move from the \_\_\_\_\_ realm into the spiritual and to draw near to God.
3. The music ministry requires people that are consecrated and \_\_\_\_\_ before God with a dedicated prayer life and submission to those that God has placed in authority \_\_\_\_\_ them.
4. The music ministry can be the greatest \_\_\_\_\_ to the church or the worst downfall if individuals become prayerless and prideful and depend only on their own \_\_\_\_\_ and ability.
5. This ministry prepares \_\_\_\_\_ to hear and receive the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

**E. Children's Ministries:**

1. Some people have special heart and natural \_\_\_\_\_ when it comes to working with children of various ages and it is important to recognize that it is a \_\_\_\_\_, not a babysitting service.
2. Jesus recognized the value and importance of \_\_\_\_\_, mentioning them in His teachings and also personally taking \_\_\_\_\_ to bless them. Mk. 10:13-16
3. Different technics and methods are needed to minister to the \_\_\_\_\_ ages of children, and there are different attention \_\_\_\_\_ so not all teachers are gifted the same for all ages.
4. The goal of children's ministries is to \_\_\_\_\_ the children to salvation and then to disciple them to become strong Christians who will \_\_\_\_\_ others to Jesus as well.

**F. Youth Ministry:**

1. Again, certain people have a heart and special \_\_\_\_\_ to work with teenagers and youth in leading them to salvation and then to serve the Lord faithfully and become \_\_\_\_\_ in the Body of Christ.
2. The teens and youth are very vulnerable to \_\_\_\_\_ pressure and are in the ages of making decisions that will affect them for the \_\_\_\_\_ of their lives, so great care and sensivity is required to direct them carefully through these fragile years.
3. People who become involved in working with the Youth Ministry are often \_\_\_\_\_ themselves and require the help and godly \_\_\_\_\_ of an elder or elders as they minister to them.
4. The youth of the church are a powerful spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ when they become on fire for God! I Tim. 4:12

**G. Helps:**

1. Among the ministries listed in the Word of God is one \_\_\_\_\_ called \_\_\_\_\_, which in the original Greek translates as 'relief' or the sense of one helping to carry the \_\_\_\_\_ of another. I Cor. 12:28
2. The ministry of \_\_\_\_\_ is as vital to the Church as oil is to a motor, and these are people who do not want the spotlight or the stage, but they feel and see the \_\_\_\_\_ for behind the scenes work that has to be done and they just want to do it!
3. All church special ministry events require \_\_\_\_\_ as does the regular operation and functions of the weekly ministries and some people are called and \_\_\_\_\_ especially for that purpose.
4. List below what you see as some of the work in the ministry of \_\_\_\_\_:

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**CONCLUSION:** Finding where you \_\_\_\_\_ in is an important step in preparing yourself for ministry in the Body of Christ, and again, you look at your design and the \_\_\_\_\_ that God has given to you and that will help you to find where you fit in to the plan of God.

**Next Lesson:** The ministries of Evangelism & Discipleship