

Real Mature Workshop Workbook

“WHAT DO I DO WITH MY HANDS?”

HIGHLAND UNIVERSITY MINISTRY

REST. RECOGNIZE. RESTORE.

Module One: The Process of Maturing

Welcome to the Real Mature Worship As you progress through this module, give attention to the questions and fill in the blanks as you go. The video will also contain slides for certain information just in case you doze off during the middle of a section.

When you hear Zane say, “take a few minutes to answer this question”, hit pause on the video and complete the question(s) before continuing.

* As an extra bonus, try to see if you can find the difference in each module. Zane changed something about himself in each one.

Let us begin!

WHAT IS THIS?

The Real Mature Workshop contains _____ modules.

This workshop will help unroll the _____ in Highland University Ministry.

If you're a senior, you will be _____ for the next chapter of your life, no matter where you go after graduation.

WHAT IS THIS WORKSHOP GOING TO DO?

(1) Discuss some of the _____ of our faith

(2) Help us with _____ ways that God is working

(3) Bring _____

(4) Starting _____ of the next chapter of University Ministry

MATURING CONVERSATIONS

Kids are willing to _____ any question.

Which of the top 7 tweets do you think is the funniest? *(Make sure to comment your favorite on Instagram)*

The Epistles are people asking questions about the _____ of the faith.

The flow of a New Testament letter can go from _____ to selfless

Maturity is everyone working out of a place of _____ and using their gifts for the community of God.

OUTLINE OF THE MODULES

Module #1: The _____ of Maturing

Module #2: Help From The _____

Module #3: A _____ God

Module #4: _____, Ministries, & Activities

Module #5: The Movement of _____

DO YOU KNOW YOURSELF

John Calvin: “Without knowledge of _____, there is no _____ of God.”

We’ve always equated _____ God with knowing _____ about God.

LET’S THINK THIS THROUGH

Question #1: When I am flourishing, I am.... (Name Five Characteristics of Yourself When You’re Flourishing)

Question #2: Name two moments that have influence you negatively & two that influenced you positively.

Question #3: How (if any) have you seen God mature you this past year?

PRAY IT OUT

“Our thoughts of You, oh Lord, have been too small. May Your never ending glory fill our hearts, minds, and imaginations. Lord Jesus, may You be King over our hearts once again. Spirit of God, will You please breathe on us again. We long to mature, to know, and to love You.”

Module Two: Help From The Helper

THE REALITY OF THE GOOD NEWS

Question: Define the Gospel in three words or less.

The Gospel talks about our _____ reality and our _____ reality.

Maturing is participating in God bringing the future _____ into the _____ reality.

The way we participate in the work of God is by being _____ with God.

One of the confessions of the Christian faith is God being _____ in _____.

All 3 Persons of God actually play into how God works in the world.

_____ ----> Ground (Creator)

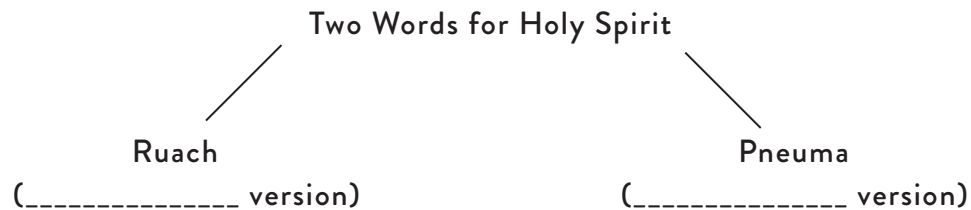
Christ ----> _____ (Revealer)

_____ ----> Source (Breath)

THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Spirit of God _____ us towards maturity.

The Spirit is not a _____, the Spirit is a _____.



These two words can mean _____ or breath.

JOHN 14: 15-17

(1) The Spirit is _____ us and _____ us.

(2) The Spirit is our _____.

(3) The Spirit will _____ us.

Question: What are some words you associate with the Holy Spirit?

You can count on the Spirit....

- (1) Being with us
- (2) Teaching us
- (3) _____ us
- (4) _____ to the experience of God

WHAT'S THE PROMISE TO YOU

God is the one who _____ things new (Revelation 21:5)

Jesus is the one who is the _____ of the this new world (1 John 3:2)

The Spirit is the _____ that _____ to do what Jesus has done (Romans 8:11)

The promise of Jesus in John 14 is found in verse _____

“will do _____ works than these.”

LET'S THINK THIS THROUGH

Question #1: Where have you learned about the Holy Spirit?

Question #2: How have you witnessed the Holy Spirit working in the world?

Question #3: What words resonate and feel distant to you when it comes to the list of words we built earlier in this module about the Holy Spirit?

PRAY IT OUT

“Holy Living Breath of God,

We praise You & thank You for being active. Reveal to us what Your presence is prompting us to see. May You speak our aches, pains, joys, and longings to the Father. Renew us and show us what resurrection means.”

Module Three: A Giving God

WHERE DO WE START?

The Holy Spirit is _____ through gifts.

Five Passages That Mention Spiritual Gifts

1 Corinthians 12 1 Corinthians _____ Romans _____ _____ 4 _____ Peter 4

Question: What words do you associate with the term spiritual gifts?

All of these letters are written _____ us but not _____ us.

Theological grounding for spiritual gifts can be found in _____ 12.

The letter is divided into _____ sections.

_____ Sex Food Community _____

1 Corinthians 12 is found in the _____ section of the letter to Corinth.

The community is facing and addressing _____-spiritualization.

The Spirit of God works for all of creation to declare _____ is Lord.

A GIVING GOD

The source of all gifts come through the _____ of _____.

Question: What verbs can you identify in 1 Corinthians 12:4-8?

Definition of Charismata:

HOW GOD GIVES & HOW WE RECEIVE

(1) God _____ freely however God _____ to give

(2) We simply receive not _____

(3) The Spirit of God works & gifts in _____ ways (John 3:8)

WHAT'S THE PURPOSE

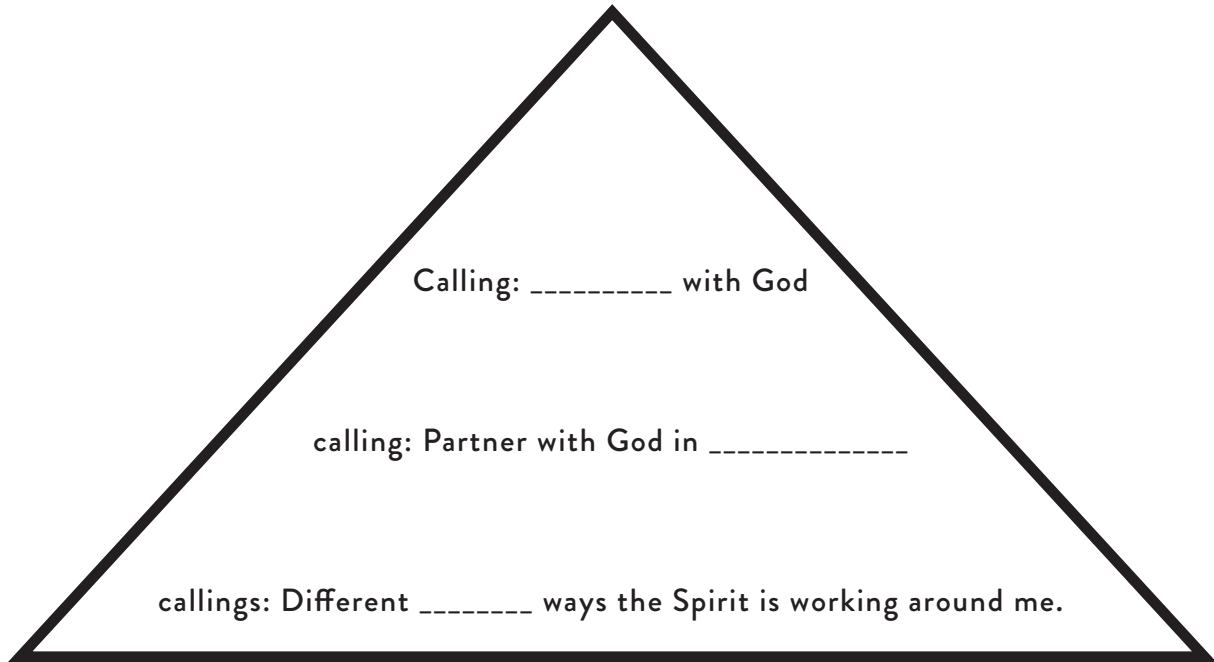
“To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the _____.”

- 1 Corinthians 12:7

The gifts of the Spirit are not for _____ but for the common good of the _____.

The work of the Spirit isn't internal but external.

A better question to ask is not what's _____ me, but what's _____ me?



LET'S THINK THIS THROUGH:

Question #1: What does declaring “Jesus as Lord” mean for your life?

Question #2: How have you seen God be a giving God to you and others?

Question #3: List three ways that you've seen someone contribute to the common good?

* Before you leave, text one of the people you wrote about above and thank them for the way they've contributed to the common good.

Module Four: Gifts, Ministries, & Activities

THE LISTS OF GIFTS FROM SCRIPTURE

Key Principles From 1 Corinthians 12

(1) The Spirit helps us in declaring “ _____ is _____ ”

(2) The Spirit _____ gifts

(3) The Spirit _____ gifts for the _____

When New Testament writers, like Paul, are writing about gifts, they are talking to a _____ group of people.

The five lists in the New Testament are _____ of the ways the Spirit might gift a community.

Definitions of Gifts in Scripture

✓ = I've Seen It!

● = I'm Pretty Sure I Understand It!

? = I Don't Understand This Gift Or I'm Having A Hard Time Grasping This Gift

Prophecy: the ability to speak a word in alignment with God's kingdom (Acts 15:32)

Pastoring: the ministry of overseeing someone's spiritual wellbeing (1 Timothy 3:1-7)

Teaching: the activity of communicating and explaining subjects and relevant matters to others (Romans 12:7)

Wisdom: the embracing and implementation of God's ways in actions, deed, and decisions (1 Cor. 2:1-13)

Knowledge: the activity of discovering, accumulating, analyzing, and clarifying ideas & concepts (Col. 2:2-3)

Evangelist: the ministry of participating in God's work to bring all of humanity in oneness with God (2 Tim 4:5)

Exhortation: the ministry of providing comfort, healing, or encouragement (Hebrews 10:25)

Discerning of Spirits: the activity of identifying the source or heart of someone's intentions (Acts 5:1-11)

Giving: the activity to liberally contribute resources for the common good (2 Cor 8:1-7)

Helps: the ability to enable others or increase someone else's ministry or activity (Rom 16:1-2)

Mercy: the activity of lavishing empathy and compassion upon others to reveal God (Matt 20:29-34)

Missionary: the gift of translating or ministering to a culture outside one's own experience (Acts 8:4)

Hospitality: the activity of expressing others are welcome and belong to a community or region (Acts 16:14-15)

Faith: the activity of confidently encouraging others about the presence of God (1 Cor. 12:9)

Leadership: the ministry of being able to envision and direct others to a common goal (Acts 15:7-11)

Miracles: the ability to participate with God in outlandish ways to reveal God to the world (2 Cor. 12:12)

Healing: the gift of restoring hurt, damage, or exhaustion to the world from God's own strength (Acts 3:1-10)

Tongues: the gift of communicating a divine message on behalf of God to the community of God in a unique way (1 Cor 14:13-19)

Interpretation of Tongues: gift of accurately translating tongues (1 Cor 14:13)

Voluntary Poverty: the activity of renouncing material comfort in order to serve God (2 Cor 6:10)

Celibacy: the activity of remaining single in order to serve God more freely (1 Cor 7:7-8)

Intercession: to spiritually step into one's life or situation and lift them before God (Luke 22:41-44)

Deliverance: the gift of casting out manifestations or intentions of evil (Acts 8:5-8)

Service: the activity of meeting unmet needs according to the necessities of a community (Galatians 6:2)

Worship: the ministry of bringing hearts to the throne of God (1 Samuel 16:25)

Question: What other manifestations of the Spirit have you seen the Spirit give to and through a community?

This list is extensive, but it's only a _____ of what the Spirit can do in a community.

All churches have _____ which means all communities will display some form of these gifts of the Spirit.

Paul in 1 Corinthians 12 reminds us that the Holy Spirit gives the community of God gifts, _____, and _____.

Definitions

Gifts = God's _____ and capabilities working through us

Ministries = _____ that are given by the Holy Spirit to us

Activities = _____ the Spirit equips us to participate in a plethora of ways

An Example of Each

Gift = Teaching

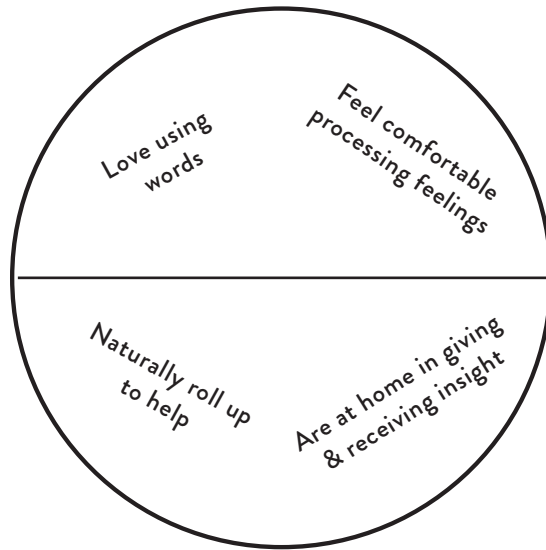
Ministry = Racial Reconciliation

Activity = Service Through Building or Fixing Structures

Sometimes it helps to start with _____.

Do You Naturally Gravitate Towards?

I wonder if you...



FINAL THOUGHTS

Don't take this _____ but gifts are not meant to be personal.

In order to identify how the Spirit of God is working we need to have a _____ we are connected with on a regular basis.

LET'S THINK THIS THROUGH

Question #1: Name an example of a gift, a ministry, and an activity.

Question #2: What on the list of gifts, ministries, and activities stuck out? Which ones didn't make sense?

Question #3: Who do you admire that walks with the Holy Spirit?

"I hunger for righteousness."

Module Five: The Movement of God

THE MOVEMENT OF GOD

This module is more _____ compared to the first four modules.

The Spirit is _____ us back to Jesus.

Jesus was _____ to the Spirit.

Jesus is also _____ us.

THE MOVEMENT OF GOD

Movement of God Definition:

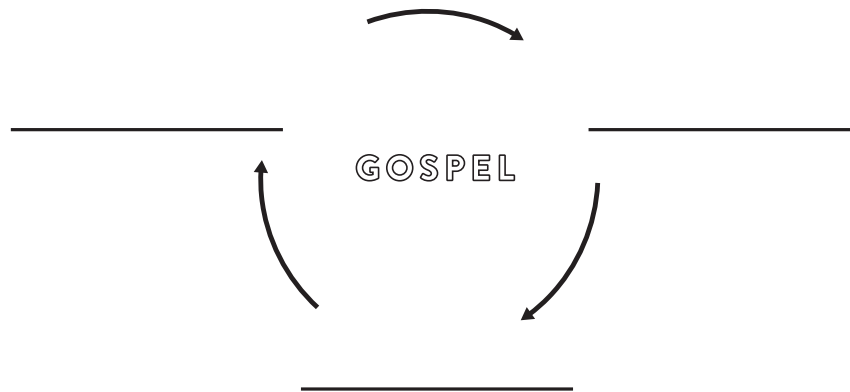


Image of God (definition):

The Holy Spirit (definition):

The Needs of the Community (definition):

PERSONAL REFLECTION ON HOW YOU ARE THE IMAGE OF GOD

My natural instinct is towards my head, heart, or hands when connecting with God? Why?

When looking through this list of God's characteristics, which ones do you believe people associate with you?

	Truthfulness	Knowledge	Love	Kind	Honest
Unity	Goodness	Righteous	Compassionate		Understanding
	Reace	Beauty	Wise	Meek	Thoughtful

What are three ways you would want to be more like Jesus?

PERSONAL REFLECTION ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

I've always wondered _____ about the Holy Spirit

What are two words you would use to describe your relationship with the Holy Spirit?

What do you long for the Holy Spirit to do in your life and the current community around you?

PERSONAL REFLECTION ON THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD

What are the most memorable ways you've helped others in the past?

What do you long to change in the world?

What type of request do you receive from people when people ask you for help? If you don't feel like people ask you for help, why do you think this is the case?

UNIVERSITY MINISTRY

Take the "What Do I Do With Myself" survey at highlandchurch.org/university

After taking the survey, I found out my color is _____.

Sources & Resources

Creating a workshop takes time, resources, and research. The following resources helped create and structure the Real Mature Workshop you just experienced.

In creating a teaching series like this one, content and information repetitively is distilled, reduced, and summarized. We highly encourage you to turn to these resources for a further in-depth study.

The Road Back to You - Ian Morgan Cron & Suzanne Stabile

Every Moment Holy - Douglas McKelvey

Theology for the Community of God - Stanley Grenz

Paul, The Spirit, and the People of God - Gordon Fee

The Bible Project - bibleproject.com

Paul Through Mediteranean Eyes - Kenneth Bailey

What Are Spiritual Gifts - Kenneth Berding

Paul for Everyone: 1 Corinthians - N.T. Wright