

Multiplying Ministers

Lesson 7 — Student Guide

Prepare for class: Read Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

Lesson Goal

The goal of this lesson is to answer the following question: **How does Christ multiply ministers through his Church?**

Think

Evaluate

1. Who are the people mentioned in this Bible reading?
2. What are the important objects or things in this Bible reading?
3. What places or locations are mentioned in this Bible reading?
4. Does this Bible reading talk about things in the past, present, or future?
5. What is the problem?
6. Is the problem solved?

Learn

7. What is the main theme of this lesson?
8. What sin does this lesson teach us to confess?
9. Where do you see the love of God in this lesson?
10. What does God teach us to do in this lesson?

Lead

11. What would be a good situation in which to share this message?

Discussion

12. Why are humility, patience, and gentleness important when equipping others?
13. Why should church leaders equip others instead of trying to do everything themselves?
14. What is the difference between adding workers and multiplying ministers?
15. What should a congregation celebrate when evaluating its ministry?

Lesson wrap-up

How does Christ multiply ministers through his Church?

Final Project Checkpoint

Complete and review your Final Project.

Make sure you have completed the Spiritual Gifts Inventory for 3–5 individuals.

For each person, make sure you can clearly answer:

- Who is this person?
- What gifts have I observed?
- What evidence have I seen of those gifts?
- Where could this person serve?
- How will I encourage or equip this person to begin?
- How could I eventually help this person become someone who encourages and equips others?

Before finishing, choose one practical action you can take:

- Have an encouraging conversation.
- Tell someone what gifts you have observed in them.
- Invite someone to serve alongside you.
- Introduce someone to a possible mentor.
- Help someone take a first step into ministry.

Remember: The Final Project is not finished when the paper is completed. The goal is to begin intentionally equipping God's people for ministry so that they can eventually help equip others.