

SERMON NOTES

Date: October 7, 2018

Series: Messy Church

Title: The Gift of Apostleship

Text: 1 Corinthians 12:28

Big Idea: Apostles were foundational to the church, but there are no longer apostles in the church today.

MAKE IT REAL

Questions for Personal Application and Small Group Discussion

REVIEW THE SERMON

What immediately comes to mind when you hear the word "apostle"? _____

What is an apostle? Is it best to think of every Christian as an apostle? _____

What are four New Testament the qualifications for apostleship? (cf. Acts 1:21-23; 1 Corinthians 9:1-2; Luke 6:13-16; Romans 15:15-19 and 2 Cor. 12:12)

How were the apostles used by God to establish the foundation of the church? (cf. Ephesians 2:20; 4:11-12) _____

APPLY THE TRUTH

Paul warns the church against false apostles, deceitful workmen, and those who disguise themselves as apostles of Christ (2 Corinthians 11:13; cf. 1 John 4:1). According to the following passages, what are some of the identifying marks of false apostles/teachers?

- 1 John 4:3-4 _____

- 2 Timothy 3:1-8 _____

- Galatians 1:8-9 _____

- 2 Corinthians 10:12 _____

What should your attitude be toward those who claim to be modern day apostles, and how should you practically respond to those that approve of them? _____

COMMIT THIS WEEK

You may not have the gift of apostleship, but you do have spiritual gifts that have been given by the Holy Spirit for the common good. Pray for opportunities to love and serve others this week in the ways you have been gifted.