

**The Kingdom is for
a Team of Warriors,
not for
Lone Rangers**

Misunderstanding

John the Baptist was called to be a loner

Elijah was called to be a loner

I don't need to go to church because I'm called to be a 'Lone-Ranger' Christian

Correction

Apostles Andrew and John were regularly with John before Jesus

God corrected Elijah and brought him to Elisha, for his perspective of being alone was wrong

The church isn't a place. It is Jesus' followers who've received a variety of spiritual gifts who work together as a body of believers

Hebrews 10:23-25 (ESV) ²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

The grace-filled promises we have are from the only One who cannot lie!

The enemy loves to call all Christians hypocrites and tell you that you're best off alone. Yes, there are far too many who call themselves "Christians" who are not following Christ. However, there are many who seek God's Kingdom and we are to regularly gather and look forward to our King's second coming.

God has called us to encourage one another as we expand the largest family in the universe!

Have you rebuked the enemy's call for you to walk alone?

Romans 12:4-8 (NIV2011) ⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function,

⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to

each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

We are all God's temple – the Body of Christ, but we don't all have the same gifts.

These examples of spiritual gifts demonstrate the diversity of God's gifting to each one of us. Our greatest potential is found when we are using His gifts as a team.

We all receive grace and with that grace comes spiritual gifts for use in God's Kingdom.

Are you aware of the gifts God has given you for His glory?

1 Corinthians 12:6-10 (NKJV) ⁶ And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. ⁷ But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit *of all*: ⁸ for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another *different kinds of tongues*, to another the interpretation of tongues.

1 Corinthians 12:28-30 (NKJV) ²⁸ And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles

How can your gifts serve the Kingdom with other believers' gifts?

Or perhaps you must first be asked... are you in God's Kingdom?

³⁰ Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret?