***JON’S SERMON OUTLINE….***

FINDING YOUR PLACE OF SERVICE

***3****For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.****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 yourfaith;****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.*

 Romans 12:3-8

Introduction: Serving others and serving God is one of the purposes God has in mind for you. Every creature was formed by God and made to function as God intended, just as architects design buildings to be used in a certain way. Likewise, you were fashioned by God in your mother’s womb for good works. What God wants you to do is find your place of service. In this two-part sermon, we will look at two of the four steps we need to take in finding our place of service and, next week, we’ll consider two more.

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ABOUT YOUR GIFTS (Romans 12:3-8):

 a. Every Christian has been given gifts.

 b. Every gift is not earned or even chosen.

 c. Every member of the body has different gifts.

 d. Every part of the body, doing its share, helps the whole.

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ TO YOUR HEART:

 a. The heart represents your motivations (Proverbs 4:23).

 b. The heart reveals who you are (Proverbs 27:19).

 c. The heart respects the Lord (Colossians 3:22-24).

 d. The heart reflects enthusiasm.

CONCLUSION: Are you doing what you were made to do?

Answers: 1. Learn 2. Listen