

LESSON 7:

Called to Collaborate

Vocabulary



- ♦ **Collaborate:** to offer open-handed ideas and perspectives in an effort to find the most optimal solution possible
- ♦ **Role:** the function one takes responsibility for in a system
- ♦ **Team:** a group of people working together to achieve a common goal

Scripture Study

Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. [Romans 12:4-5](#)



Question 1: According to this verse, why is it important that each member of the body of Christ brings their unique function to the whole?

Question 2: As we prepare to create our project pitch, how can we make sure everyone's voice, gift, and perspective are part of the collaboration?

Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. [Philippians 2:3](#)

Question 3: Why do you think selfish ambition and pride can weaken collaboration?

Question 4: What does it look like in practice to "value others above yourself" when working on a team or project?

Project Milestone

Pitch preparation. By the end of the lesson, I will have worked with my group to outline our pitch presentation that we will present during the next lesson.

Define extra work. By the end of the lesson, I will have worked with my group to define any work associated with our project pitch that will need to be completed before the next lesson.



Instructions

- Use the outline below to prepare a 1- to 2-minute project pitch that you will present to the group.
- Every person must participate in the presentation in some way.
- If possible, include a simple visual aid (like a PowerPoint, chart, or poster) to support your pitch.
- Be prepared to present your project idea to your leader in the next session.

See Figure 7 in the back of the book to view a completed sample.

Why?

Why does this problem matter? Why should people care?

How do you know there is a real need?

Where?

Where will you carry out your solution? What community, setting, or space will be impacted?

When?

When will this project happen? Outline your timeline from start to finish. Will it take just one day or require multiple days?

How?

How do you plan to solve this problem? Be specific about the resources you will need—people, materials, time, or money.

Support Needed?

What kind of support or guidance will you need from your leader/teacher to make this project possible?

We need our leader's support in: