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**“We Are Members
of One Another”**

Romans 12:4-5



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Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others



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I Corinthians 12:12-27

The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ...verse 14,



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I Corinthians 12:12-27

Now the body is not made up of one part but of many...If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body.



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I Corinthians 12:12-27

And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be?



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I Corinthians 12:12-27

If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be...verse 25, that its parts should have equal concern for each other...”



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“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it”

I Corinthians 12:27



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**No individual disciple
functions effectively
by himself.**



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**No member of Christ's body
is more important than
another member.**



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Romans 12:3

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 accord with the faith God has distributed to each of you



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Romans 12:4-8

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.



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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; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach;



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Romans 12:4-8

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



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Ephesians 4:12-13

“...to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ”



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**Every member of Christ's
body must work at unity in
the body of Christ.**



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Psalm 133

“How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity! ...for there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore”



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John 13:34-35

“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another”



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Romans 15:5

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus...