

Rom 12:3-10 Sun. School
"Team Work & Body of Christ" 11-20-2022

1. Introduction

- a. Paul wrote letter to Christians at Rome (capital of empire)
- b. Sober thinking (right thinking)
 - (do not have inflated sense of self)
 - know measure of faith God gave
- c. All Christians members of Body of Christ (spiritual union)
 - many members, but different functions
 - 1 Cor 12:14 - 27 one body, many parts
 - all parts essential to proper function of body
 - each part members of each other.

2. Principle of One Body (vs. 4-5)

- a. Jesus Christ is head of the body
 - 1 Cor 11:23-26 "This is My body..."
- b. Holy Spirit reveals Himself to each Christian for good of whole body
 - 1 Cor 12:7
- c. God given gifts (1 Cor 12:4-6)
 - diversities of gifts: same Spirit
 - differences of ^{ministries} ~~activities~~: same Lord
 - diversities of activities: same God

~~3. Differences of Ministries (vs. 6-8)~~

3. Diversities of Activities (vs. 6-8)

- a. Prophecy in proportion to faith
- b. Exhorts to encouragement
- c. Ministry to support
- d. Teach in new instruction
- e. Give with liberality
- f. Leadership with diligence
- g. Show mercy with cheerfulness
- h. God given gift(s) according to God given grace

4. Christians in Action

- a. Love without hypocrisy (2 faced)
- b. Cling to good (abhor [run away from] evil)

- 4c. Brother love (kind affection to each other)
- d. Give preference to each other
 - e. Fervent in spirit (not lagging in diligence)
 - serving the lord
 - f. Rejoicing in hope
 - hope of God (within you)
 - g. Patient in tribulation trials
 - h. Continue steady in prayer
 - give your deepest cries to God
 - i. Given to hospitality (your reputation)
 - give goods to needs of the saints
 - j. Bless those who persecute you
 - no cursing
 - k. Give empathy with people
 - rejoice with those rejoicing
 - weep with those who cry
 - share people's emotions
 - l. Have same mind with each other
 - stay with those who in poverty or need
 - don't be proud in your own conceits
 - m. Provide all things honest in the sight of everyone
 - do not look to repay vengeance (no evil act to receiving evil acts)
 - n. Live peaceably with all people as much as you can
 - do not avenge yourself
 - God says that He will repay because vengeance belongs to God
 - Enemy hungry? feed them
 - Enemy thirsty? give them something to drink
 - Overcome evil with good