

Sermon Audio Input

Full Msg. Title: Life Together
Short Ver. Title: Romans 074
Series Title*: Romans
Text: Romans 12:3-8
Key Words: Grace given, sound judgment, think, faith, many members, one body
Gifts: prophecy, service, (he who) teaches, exhorts, gives, leads, shows mercy

Message Outline

Life Together **Understanding Ourselves and the Gifts God Has Given Us** **Rom 12:3-8**

- I. **Listen Carefully to the Text in Its Context**
- II. **Consider the Significance of the Main Point**
- III. **Wrestle with How God would Have Us Respond**

Examine the Scriptures (Be Berean!)

- Rom 12:1-2
- Rom 1:5; 15:15-16; 1 Cor 3:10; 15:10; Gal 2:9; Eph 3:7-13
- 1 Cor 12; Eph 4

Consider & Discuss (Be Transformed!)

- Describe how verse 3 is logically related to verses 1-2 noting especially the conjunction “for” and the focus on our thinking and faith.
- In verse 3 (cf., 1:5 and 15:15-16...) note how Paul relates the grace given him to his ministry in the body of Christ. What is the implication for you and the grace God has given you?
- How are God’s grace and God’s gifts related to each other?
- In verse 4-5 Paul speaks of the body of Christ and its many members likening it to the human body with its many members. What does this say about you and your identity in relation to Christ and in relation to other Christians?
- What do verse 6-8 tell us about the gifts given to Christians?
- **Community Group Focus Questions:** Looking at verse 4-5 in context of 3-8, what is the significance of Christians being collectively “one body in Christ” and “individually members one of another”?

Memory & Meditation Verse

“For **just as** we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, **so** we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another” Romans 12:4-5

Community Life

- Pray and talk about how we are to participate individually and corporately as a church body with what God is doing in this season of redemptive history?
- Is it your conviction to use the gifts God has given you for the benefit of the members of this local church? If so, communicate with Pastor Johnny and take the extra effort to make sure this is happening as God has intended.

Next Week

Romans 12:9-21