

**SERMON SERIES**  
**UNITING IN WORSHIP**  
**“ONE BODY, MANY MEMBERS”**  
**1 Corinthians 12:12-26**  
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**I. The Spirit unites different members into one body (vv. 12-13).**

*“the body is one and has many members”*

*“so it is with Christ”*

*“in/by one Spirit we were baptized into one body”*

*“all were made to drink of one Spirit”*

**Isaiah 29:10**

**Ezekiel 36:22**

**Matthew 3:11**

**John 4:13-14; 7:37-39**

**Acts 1:4-5; 2:16-17**

**Ephesians 2:13-14**

“No matter what had previously separated these people, they all had been joined together in one body by means of the one Spirit.”  
-Richard Pratt

“We must never forget that the baptism with the Holy Spirit is life-changing. It is a reality that is foundational to the proper functioning of the body of Christ.”

-Richard Ganz

**II. Christ’s body has many members with different functions (vv. 14-20).**

*“I do not belong to the body.”*

*“If all were a single member, where would the body be?”*

*“God has arranged the members ... as he chose”*

**Ephesians 4:15-16**

“Union with Christ, both representative and vital, is sealed by the presence and work of Christ’s Spirit in his people.”  
-Edmund Clowney

**III. Each member of Christ’s body needs the other members of Christ’s body (vv. 21-26).**

*“I have no need of you”*

*“seem to be weaker are indispensable”*

*“God composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it”*

*“same care for one another... all suffer together ... all rejoice together”*

“Because of the union that believers share with one another in Christ, what happens to one believer happens to everyone.”  
-Richard Pratt

“The poor and the weak are not inclined to feel any concern for the rich and powerful, but rather to resent them. Equally, the powerful tend not to spare too much thought for the weak.”  
-Paul Barnett