

WEEK 10 ORGANIZED FOR THE TASK

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I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. ² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. ³ For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. ⁴ For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, ⁵ so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. ⁶ Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; ⁷ or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; ⁸ he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

Romans 12:1-8 (NKJV)

THE TASK—LOVE JESUS AND TO LEAD OTHERS TO LOVE HIM TOO

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

“Jesus said, ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart...Soul...and mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the law and the prophets hang on these two commandments.’ “

Matthew 22:37-40 (NKJV)

THE GREAT COMMISSION

“Jesus said, ‘Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.’ “

Matthew 28:19-20a (NKJV)

THE BODY IS USED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT TO ILLUSTRATE THE CHURCH—THE BODY OF CHRIST

- THE CHURCH IS A LIVING ORGANISM
- THE CHURCH IS AN ORGANIZATION OF MANY PARTS
- ORGANIZATION IS NECESSARY FOR PROPER FUNCTION
- SINCE THE CHURCH (BODY) HAS MANY PARTS, ORGANIZATION IS ESSENTIAL
- COOPERATION OR TEAMWORK IS NECESSARY FOR OUR CHURCH TO BE WHAT GOD WILLS

ORGANIZATION-- A number of individuals systematically united for some end or work.

COOPERATION--An act or instance of working together for a common purpose or benefit.

TEAMWORK

PARTICIPATION

INVOLVEMENT

CONTRIBUTION

FELLOW-WORKERS

COORDINATION

For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building.

1 Corinthians 3:9 (NKJV)

CONCLUSION AND INVITATION

By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.

John 13:35 (NKJV)

But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased.

1 Corinthians 12:18 (NKJV)

And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you."

1 Corinthians 12:21 (NKJV)