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### **ONE SPIRIT - MANY MINISTRIES**

During the month of January, we will take our study Spiritual Gifts from (1 Corinthians 12:1-31).

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Passage</u></b>	<b><u>Key Verse</u></b>	<b><u>Lesson</u></b>
1/8	1 Cor.12:1-3	Ch. 12:	Ignorance of Spiritual Gifts
1/15	1 Cor.12:4-11	Ch. 12:4	One Spirit - Many Gifts
<b>1/22</b>	<b>1 Cor.12:12-27</b>	<b>Ch. 12:5</b>	<b>One Lord many Ministries</b>
1/29	1 Cor.12:28-31	Ch. 12:6	One God many Performances

This lesson will emphasize God, the Son - **“There are varieties of ministries, and the same Lord.”** (1 Cor.12:5)

<b>Five aspects of One Lord, Many Ministries</b>
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**1. In our lesson text, Paul taught that the church body consists of members with a variety of spiritual gifted ministries.**

We will examine our lesson text by the following four homiletical points.

(1 Cor.12:12)	Body is one with many parts
(1 Cor.12:13)	Baptism by Holy Spirit into the body of Christ
(1 Cor.12:14 -19)	Body analogy of gifted ministries
(1 Cor.12:20 -27)	Body's internal healing

**Christ is both the body and the head of the church.**

(Eph.5:23) “For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body.”

Paul used **10 rhetorical questions** in (1 Cor.12:14-30) to provoke thought on spiritual gifts:

(1 Cor.12:17)	2 Questions
(1 Cor.12:19)	1 Question
(1 Cor.12:29)	4 Questions
(1 Cor.12:30)	3 Questions

**2. A mono-gifted church is an unhealthy church body.**

Paul asked whether we could imagine calling one foot or hand or eye or ear or nose a body.

(1 Cor.12:19) ‘If they were all one member, where would the body be?’

A mono-gifted church causes some members to think they are not an important member because they don't feel led or comfortable participating with just the one gift (1 Cor.12:15-19, 25).

(1 Cor.12:17) “If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole were hearing, where would the sense of smell be?”

(Rom.12:4) “For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function.”

**3. The function of multi-gifts within the local church is designed by God to edify the whole body. (1 Cor.12:6, 18, 24, 28).**

(1 Cor.14:12) “So also you, since you are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek to abound for the edification of the church.”

(1 Cor.12:26) “And if one member **suffers**, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members **rejoice** with it.”

**4. Your spiritual gift is your nomenclature identity in the body of Christ of DSBC.**

(1 Cor.12:7) “But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit, for the common good (to sumphero) [profitable to the whole].”

(1 Cor.12:11) “But the one and same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually just as He wills.”

**Circle the gift you think you might have:**

<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Evangelist</b>	<b>Exhortation</b>	<b>Mercy</b>	
<b>Ministry-Service</b>	<b>Administration</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Giving</b>	<b>Helps.</b>

**5. The exercise of spiritual gifted ministries within the local church body is the dynamics of ALL of DSBC’s ministries.**

It is one of the most important features in the plan of God for our church (1 Cor.12-14; Rom.12; Eph.4).

(1 Cor.12:12) “For even as the body is one and yet has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ.” (1 Cor.12:14, 19-20, 27).

Paul used interesting phrases to emphasize the importance of YOUR spiritual gift functioning within the church you attend.

(1 Cor.12:15) “IF FOOT says, ‘because I am not a HAND, I am not a part of the body,’ It is not for this reason any the less a part of the body.”

(1 Cor.12:21-22) “And the EYE cannot say to the hand, ‘I have no need of you’; or again the HEAD to the FEET, ‘I have no need of you.’ **On the contrary, it is much truer that the members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary.**”

(1 Cor.12:18) “But now God has placed the members, each one of them, in the body, just as He desired.”