

Don't be a Spectator

Romans 12:4-8

(series #22)

Introduction: the importance of unity and diversity

I. The example of the body vv. 4-5

A. There is diversity: we don't have the same gift

B. There is unity: we all share the same life - Jn. 15

II. The examples of spiritual gifts vv. 6-8

A. Initial observations

1. The purpose of the text is to exhort us to serve

2. The gifts are speaking & serving gifts

a. I Cor. was written 4 years before this

b. It lists speaking, serving, & sign gifts

c. Sign gifts had a temporary purpose

B. The particulars

1. Prophesying - I Corinthians 14:3

2. Ministering

3. Teaching

4. Encouraging

5. Giving

6. Leading

7. Showing mercy