**CHAPTER 12**

*Of the diversity of spiritual gifts. The members of the mystical body, like those of the natural body, must mutually cherish one another.*

**1** Now concerning spiritual things, my brethren, I would not have you ignorant.

**2** You know that when you were heathens, you went to dumb idols, according as you were led.

**3** Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man, speaking by the Spirit of God, saith Anathema to Jesus. And no man can say the Lord Jesus, but by the Holy Ghost.

**4** Now there are diversities of graces, but the same Spirit;

**5** And there are diversities of ministries, but the same Lord;

**6** And there are diversities of operations, but the same God, who worketh all in all.

**7** And the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man unto profit.

**8** To one indeed, by the Spirit, is given the word of wisdom: and to another, the word of knowledge, according to the same Spirit;

**9** To another, faith in the same spirit; to another, the grace of healing in one Spirit:

**10** To another, the working of miracles; to another, prophecy; to another, the discerning of spirits; to another, diverse kinds of tongues; to another, interpretation of speeches.

**11** But all these things one and the same Spirit worketh, dividing to every one according as he will.

**12** For as the body is one, and hath many members; and all the members of the body, whereas they are many, yet are one body, so also is Christ.

**13** For in one Spirit were we all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Gentiles, whether bond or free; and in one Spirit we have all been made to drink.

**14** For the body also is not one member, but many.

**15** If the foot should say, because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

**16** And if the ear should say, because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

**17** If the whole body were the eye, where would be the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where would be the smelling?

**18** But now God hath set the members every one of them in the body as it hath pleased him.

**19** And if they all were one member, where would be the body?

**20** But now there are many members indeed, yet one body.

**21** And the eye cannot say to the hand: I need not thy help; nor again the head to the feet: I have no need of you.

**22** Yea, much more those that seem to be the more feeble members of the body, are more necessary

**23** And such as we think to be the less honourable members of the body, about these we put more abundant honour; and those that are our uncomely parts, have more abundant comeliness.

**24** But our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, giving to that which wanted the more abundant honour.

**25** That there might be no schism in the body; but the members might be mutually careful one for another.

**26** And if one member suffer any thing, all the members suffer with it; or if one member glory, all the members rejoice with it.

**27** Now you are the body of Christ, and members of member.

**28** And God indeed hath set some in the church; first apostles, secondly prophets, thirdly doctors; after that miracles; then the graces of healings, helps, governments, kinds of tongues, interpretations of speeches.

**29** Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all doctors?

**30** Are all workers of miracles? Have all the grace of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret?

**31** But be zealous for the better gifts. And I shew unto you yet a more excellent way.