

SERMON NOTES

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What is Real Spirituality? “Body Image”

(Part 2 of 3 Messages)

I Corinthians 12:1-13, 25-27 (NIV)

Last week, we emphasized the primacy of love as the only context for the usefulness of spiritual gifts. Chapter 12 teaches us three basic truths about spiritual gifts and their importance in developing a healthy understanding of spirituality and the church in general.

I. Spiritual gifts are G_____ g_____ (12:1-6).

⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all *people*.

I Corinthians 12:4-6

II. Spiritual gifts demonstrate the d_____ of the Body of Christ.

¹¹All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines. ¹²The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ.

I Corinthians 12:11-12

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

I Corinthians 12:27

III. Spiritual gifts are for the c_____ g_____ of the Body of Christ.

⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

I Corinthians 12:7

²⁵...so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other.

I Corinthians 12:25