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### United Through Diversity

The Spirit has given each of us a special way of serving others.  
**1 Corinthians 12:7 (CEV)**

<sup>12</sup> The body of Christ has many different parts, just as any other body does. <sup>13</sup> Some of us are Jews, and others are Gentiles. Some of us are slaves, and others are free. But God's Spirit baptized each of us and made us part of the body of Christ. Now we each drink from that same Spirit. <sup>14</sup> Our bodies don't have just one part. They have many parts.  
**1 Corinthians 12:12-14 (CEV)**

1. Barriers to \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ can divide
- \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>19</sup> A body isn't really a body, unless there is more than one part. <sup>20</sup> It takes many parts to make a single body. <sup>21</sup> That's why the eyes cannot say they don't need the hands. That's also why the head cannot say it doesn't need the feet.  
**1 Corinthians 12:19-21 (CEV)**

2. Advantages of \_\_\_\_\_

- We find our \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>4</sup> There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but they all come from the same Spirit. <sup>5</sup> There are different ways to serve the same Lord, <sup>6</sup> and we can each do different things. Yet the same God works in all of us and helps us in everything we do. **1 Corinthians 12:4-6 (CEV)**

- We can accomplish the \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>24</sup> ... God put our bodies together in such a way that even the parts that seem the least important are valuable. <sup>25</sup> He did this to make all parts of the body work together smoothly, with each part caring about the others. <sup>26</sup> If one part of our body hurts, we hurt all over. If one part of our body is honored, the whole body will be happy.  
**1 Corinthians 12:24b-26 (CEV)**

### My Next Step Today Is To...

- Meditate on and/or memorize 1 Corinthians 12:24b-25
- Commit to work towards unity with my church and fellow Christians as we serve God together.
- I surrender my agenda / will to follow God's will.
- Lay down my self, trusting my life into God's hands by receiving him as my Savior and Lord.