

Rediscover Church: What is my Role Within the Church?

Text: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

Context - In his letter to the Corinthians, Paul was instructing the believers to love one another and to fulfill their calling to serve each other through their local church.

Main Idea - In obeying the command to love one another in our churches, all of us have a role to play and a gift to use.

To fulfill your role within the church...

1. _____ your place within the body (vs. 12-19)

- A. Not everyone can be an eye or a foot, but each person has their part to play in the body of Christ. What is your part?
- B. Where do you personally thrive within your local church? What role are you wired to play within your church? How well do you feel you are fulfilling your calling within your local church?

2. _____ a sincere concern for others (vs. 20-26)

- A. There should be no feeling of "I don't need you," expressed towards anyone else within the local church. Paul wants us to have no division within the church and commands that we have the "same concern for each other." (vs. 25)
- B. How well are you connected with the others within your church to rejoice with those who are rejoicing or to suffer with those who are suffering?

3. _____ and use your Spiritual Gift (vs. 27-30)

- A. Paul shares some of the different Spiritual gifts given within the church and explains how we all do not possess the same gifts. We are needed in the local church: to contribute our gift, and we need the local church to receive from the gifts of others.
- B. Do you know your spiritual gift? As a Christian, you are responsible to both learn your gift and to exercise it within the local church.