Lesson 11: The Holy Spirit Gives Gifts in the Church

1 Corinthians 12

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The Work of the Holy Spirit

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The Work of the Holy Spirit

 Characterized by Both Unity and Diversity (1 Corinthians 12:1-26)

 Characterized by Both Equality and Order (1 Corinthians 12:27-31)

1 Corinthians 12-14

(12:1) "Concerning spiritual [things]"

- (12:4) "gifts"
- (12:5) "ministries"
- (12:6) "activities"
- (12:7) "manifestations"

Both <u>Unity</u> and <u>Diversity</u> in 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

- [4] Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit.
- [5] And there are varieties of ministries, and the same Lord.
- [6] There are varieties of effects, but the same God who works all things in all persons.
- [7] But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

Both <u>Unity</u> and <u>Diversity</u> in 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

[8] For to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, and to another the word of knowledge according to the same Spirit, [9] to another faith by the same Spirit, and to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, [10] and to another the effecting of miracles, and to another prophecy, and to another the distinguishing of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, and to another the interpretation of tongues.

Both <u>Unity</u> and <u>Diversity</u> in 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

[11] But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually just as He wills.

1 Corinthians 8:4-6

Therefore concerning the eating of things sacrificed to idols, we know that there is no such thing as an idol in the world, and that there is no God but one. For even if there are so-called gods whether in heaven or on earth, as indeed there are many gods and many lords, yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom are all things and we exist for him; and one Lord, Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we exist through Him.

1 Corinthians 10:19-20

What do I mean then? That a thing sacrificed to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? No, but I say that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to demons and not to God; and I do not want you to become sharers in demons.

Both <u>Unity</u> and <u>Diversity</u> in 1 Corinthians 12:12-14

- [12] For even as the body is one and yet has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ.
- [13] For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.
- [14] For the body is not one member, but many.

1 Corinthians 14:22

So then tongues are for a sign, not to those who believe but to unbelievers; but prophecy is for a sign not to unbelievers but to those who believe.

The Work of the Holy Spirit

- The Holy Spirit's work of sanctification is corporate.
 - (Ephesians 4:7-16)
- Self-promotion quenches the Holy Spirit's corporate work.
 - The Holy Spirit's work is characterized by both unity and diversity.
 - The Holy Spirit's work is characterized by both equality and order.
 - (Romans 12:3-8)

The Doctrine of God

- God is corporate.
- God's saving work is corporate.