Mountain Springs Ministry Teams <u>1 Cor. 12:14-27</u>

The Body, With ALL Parts Working Together, Honors Christ

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<u>19</u> And if they were all one member, where *were* the body?

<u>20</u> But now *are they* many members, yet but one body. <u>21</u> And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you. 22 Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary:

<u>23</u> And those *member*] of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely *parts* have more abundant comeliness.

24 For our comely *parts* have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that *part* which lacked:

25 That there should be no schism in the body; but *that* the members should have the same care one for another.

<u>26</u> And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it.

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<u>1 Cor. 1:10</u> Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you; but *that* ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

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Rom. 14:7 For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself.

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