

Ephesians: One and Many

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The church is a unified but diverse body.

- **Unity in Calling**
- **Diversity in Gifting**
- **Body Building**

Unity in Calling

- The church is called to a new way of treating one another because we are one
- All Christians are part of the same body
- As Christians, no matter what divides us, the fact that we share our faith in Jesus and God as our Father means we have more in common with one another than distinct from one another

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Diversity in Gifting

- The church is united, but not uniform
- Jesus has given different gifts to each Christian
- God gives different types of people to the church in order to build up the church
- Ministry is meant to happen in all of life and to be done by all Christians - the pastor's job is to help everyone in the church minister well

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Body Building

- For a body to function properly, the different parts need to communicate properly
- 2 key ingredients to proper communication: truth and love
- The gospel - the good news that God loves us and rescues us - empowers us to live this way