Sermon: The Body of Christ: Unity in DiversityScripture: 1 Cor. 12:12-27Series: Turning the World Upside DownDate: June 28, 2020

OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1) What does this passage teach us about God?

- a) What can we learn about God from this passage about his church?
- b) How does this description of the church in 1 Corinthians 12 reflect the Trinity?

2) What does this passage teach us about us (mankind)?

- a) How do you see yourself in relation to the church? Do you need the church? Does the church need you? Explain.
- b) How has being a member of the Body of Christ challenged you? Encouraged you? Caused your growth in grace?
- 3) What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

 a) Why is an understanding of the gospel of Jesus Christ central to living in unity as a church?

APPLICATION

a) In what ways is God growing you in seeking and celebrating unity? Diversity?

PRAYER

Praise God for his wisdom in creating the church in all its unity but not uniformity.

Confess ways that you have failed to seek unity and celebrate diversity in the church.

Ask God to give you his same view of the necessity of the church.