



**Romans 12:3-8**





*The key to all that follows:*

I beseech you therefore, brethren,  
by the mercies of God,  
that you **present your bodies a living sacrifice,**  
holy, acceptable to God,  
which is your reasonable service.

(Romans 12:1)



*The key to all that follows:*

And do not be conformed to this world,  
but **be transformed by the renewing of your mind**,  
that you may prove what is  
the good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

(Romans 12:2)

Be transformed **by the  
renewing of your mind...**



For I say,  
through the grace given to me,  
to everyone who is among you,  
**not to think of himself more highly  
than he ought to think,**  
but to think soberly,  
as God has dealt to each one  
a measure of faith.

(Romans 12:3)



# Heart...

CONFORMED	TRANSFORMED
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# Vision...

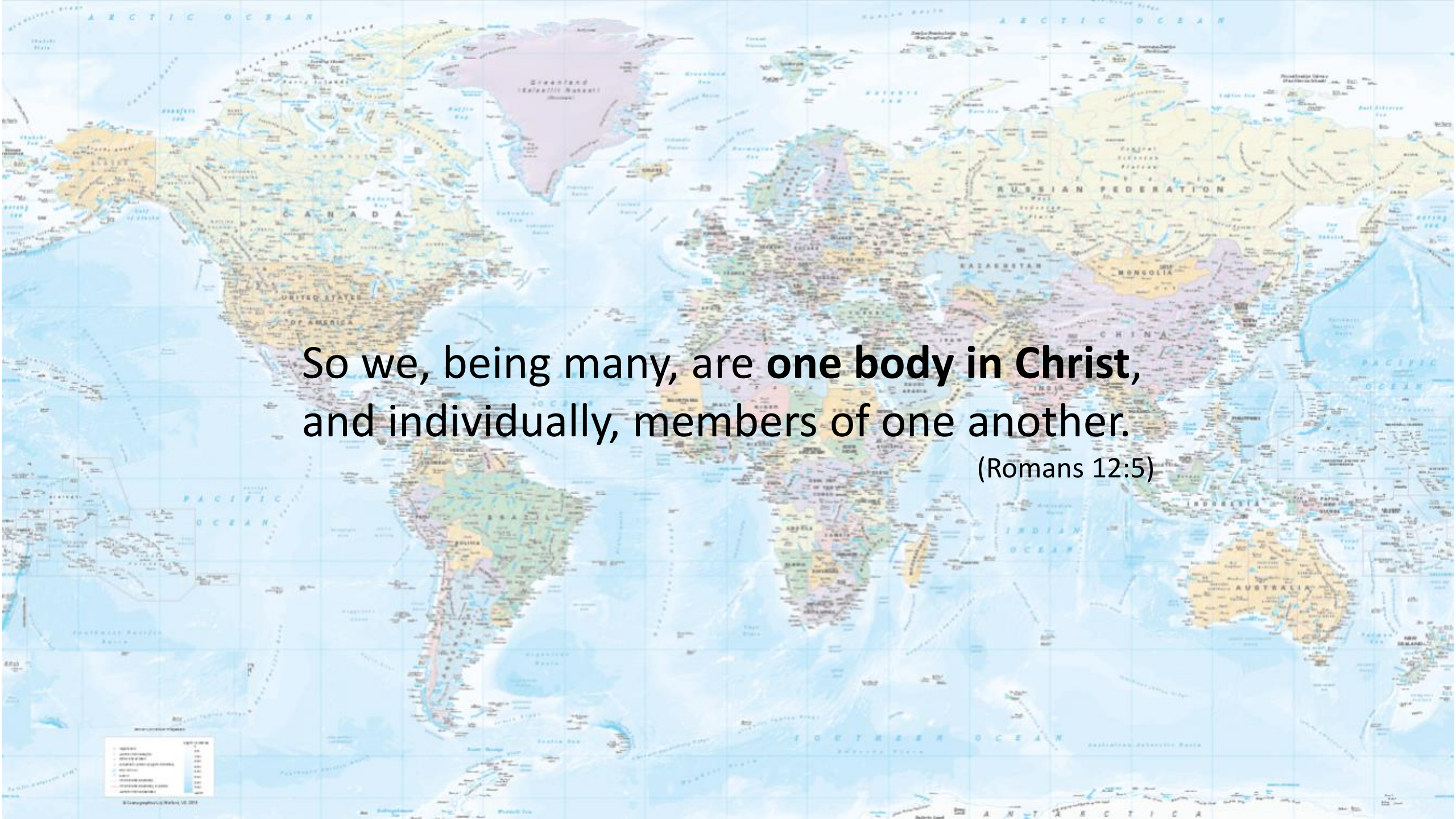
## CONFORMED

- Organisation
- Hierarchy
- Business

## TRANSFORMED

- One body
- Many members
- Edification





So we, being many, are **one body in Christ**,  
and individually, members of one another.  
(Romans 12:5)

Symbol	Description
—	International Boundary
—	National Boundary
—	Administrative Boundary
—	Waterway
—	Coastline
—	Island
—	Mountain Range
—	Sea Level
—	1000m
—	2000m
—	3000m
—	4000m
—	5000m
—	6000m
—	7000m
—	8000m
—	9000m
—	10000m

Having then **gifts** differing  
according to the **grace** that  
is given to us...

(Romans 12:6)



## PROPHECY

Exodus 7:1

So the LORD said to Moses: "See, I have made you as God to Pharaoh, and **Aaron your brother shall be your prophet.**"

1 Corinthians 14:3

He who prophesies speaks **edification** and **exhortation** and **comfort** to men.

### How to use the gift

... in proportion to  
our faith

## SERVICE

διακονία

diakonia = attendance (as a servant)

John 13:14

**If I then**, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, **you also** ought to wash one another's feet.

Luke 22:27

I am among you as **the one who serves**.

## TEACHING

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Nehemiah 8:8

They read distinctly from the book, in the Law of God; and **they gave the sense**, and helped them to understand the reading.

2 Timothy 2:2

The things that you have heard from me ... commit these to faithful men who will be able to **teach others** also.



## ENCOURAGING

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Hebrews 3:13

**Exhort one another daily**, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

Luke 19:8

**Then Zacchaeus stood and said** to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor..."

## GIVING

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1 Timothy 6:17-18

Command **those who are rich** in this present age ... that they be rich in good works, **ready to give, willing to share.**

Matthew 6:19

Do not lay up for yourselves **treasures on earth...**

**How to use the gift**

... with generosity

## LEADING

1 Timothy 3:4-5

An elder [*or overseer*] must be ... one who **rules** [*guides or manages*] his own house well ... (for if a man does not know how to **rule** his own house, how will he take care of the church of God?)

1 Corinthians 12:28

... administrating ...

**How to use the gift**

... with diligence (or eagerness)



## SHOWING MERCY

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Romans 16:1-2

I commend to you Phoebe our sister, who is a servant of the church in Cenchrea, ... **she has been a helper of many** and of myself also.

Philemon 1:7

We have great joy and consolation in your love, because **the hearts of the saints have been refreshed** by you, brother.

1 Corinthians 12:28

... helping ...

**How to use the gift**

... with cheerfulness



Prophecy

Showing mercy

Serving

**Christ**

Leading

Teaching

Giving

Encouraging

**Be transformed**



**by the renewing of your mind**



**One body – many members**



**Having then gifts...**



**Let us use them!**