

## Notes for Sunday, Nov. 2, 2025

*How I sensed the Lord working in the songs, prayers,,and the overall atmosphere of the service.*

1 Corinthians 12-13 (selected vs.) "For the Good of Everyone" Make a list of the spiritual gifts Paul names in 1 Cor. 12 and in Rom. 12. Which ones would a close friend see in you?

- Assuming these passages are giving representative samples not an exhaustive list of spiritual gifts, what are some other gifts God gives that Paul doesn't mention?

What does Paul say in 1 Cor. 12:7 about the purpose for which God gives spiritual gifts? (see also 1 Peter 4:10)

- What does Paul's image of the church as a body with many parts suggest about the importance of each person and their gifts?

1 Cor. 13 - "the love chapter" - is sandwiched between Paul's discussion of spiritual gifts in chs. 12 & 14. What is Paul saying about the relationship between love and the exercise of spiritual gifts?

Ch. 13 could be outlined as follows:

- Vs. 1-3: the necessity of love.
- Vs. 4-7: a 15 point definition of love.
- Vs. 8-13: the permanence of love.

Which of the ways Paul defines love in vs. 4-7 do you especially resonate with, and which would you like to grow into more?

- Can you think of a positive example of someone you've seen use their gifts in the manner of love into which you'd like to grow?