

Romans

Gifts of Grace ([Romans 12:3-8](#))

Read: Gifts of Grace (12:3-8)

3 For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. **4** For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, **5** so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. **6** Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; **7** if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; **8** the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

Explain: Gifts of Grace (12:3-8)

Are there any literary/structural observations?

What do the words mean?

3 For by [_____] **the grace** [graciousness, acceptable, benefit, favor, gift, gracious, grace, joy, liberality, pleasure, thanks, thankworthy] **given** [aorist middle participle] **to me I say** [present active indicative] **to everyone among** [present middle participle] **you not to think of himself more highly** [present active infinitive; to esteem oneself over much, be vain or arrogant, think more highly] **than he ought** [present active indicative; necessary, what must be met] **to think** [*phroneo*; present active infinitive; set the affection on, mind, regard, savor, think], **but to think** [present active infinitive; exercise the mind, entertain or have a sentiment or opinion, mentally disposed, interest oneself, set the affection on, be careful, mind, regard, savor, think] **with sober judgment** [present active infinitive; be of sound mind, _____, moderate, be in right mind, be sober minded, soberly], **each according to the measure** [_____]; measure, meter, limited portion, degree] **of faith** [*pistis*] **that God has assigned** [aorist active indicative; part, apportion, bestow, share, disunite, differ, deal, be difference between, distribute, divide, give part]. **4** For as in one body we have [present active indicative] **many members** [limbs, members], **and the members** [limbs, members] **do not all have** [present active indicative] **the same function** [deeds, offices, works], **5** so we, though many, are [present middle indicative] **one body in Christ, and individually members**

[limbs, members] **one of another**. **6 Having** [present active participle] **gifts** [gratuity, deliverance, endowment, qualification; same word as used in **Romans 1:11; 5:15, 16; ___:___**] **that differ** [varying, surpassing, differing, divers, more excellent] **according to the grace** [*charis*] **given** [aorist middle participle] **to us, let us use them: if prophecy** [prophecy, prediction, prophesying], **in proportion to our faith** [*pistis*]; **7 if service** [*diakonia*; ministering, ministrations, ministry, office, relief, relief, service, servicing], **in our serving; the one who teaches** [present active participle; teach], **in his teaching** [instruction, doctrine, learning, teaching]; **8 the one who exhorts** [*parakaleo*; present active participle; call near, invite, invoke, beseech, call for, comfort, desire, exhort, intreat, pray], **in his exhortation** [*paraklesis*; imploration, hortation, solace, comfort, consolation, exhortation, intreaty]; **the one who contributes** [present active participle; give over, share, give, impart], **in generosity** [singleness, sincerity (without dissimulation or self seeking), generosity (copious bestowal), bountifulness, liberality, simplicity]; **the one who leads** [present middle participle; stand before, preside, practice, maintain, be over, rule], **with zeal** [speed, dispatch, eagerness, earnestness, business, earnest carefulness, diligence forwardness, haste]; **the one who does acts of mercy** [present active participle; have compassion on, have pity on, have mercy on, show mercy on], **with cheerfulness** [*hilarotes*; alacrity, cheerfulness].

Are there any repeated words?

What are some observations of the text?

Apply (What is the point?)

1. _____ matters
2. Different is _____
3. Gifts are for _____

Personalize (What do we do with that?)

1. Stay _____
2. Praise God for _____ wisdom
3. _____ our gifts

Next week: Marks of the True Christian (12:9-21)

Homework: Ask, Read, Talk, Send