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The Bride of Christ FINDING YOUR PLACE IN THE BODY OF CHRIST: SPIRITUAL GIFTS Romans 12:8

Mercy. Rom. 12:8

- Characteristics.
 - Mercy is an <u>inner</u> emotion leading to an outward display of pity. Luke 4:18-19; Titus 3:3-5; John 3:16; Matt. 5:7; Col. 3:12-14
- An outward demonstration of compassion, sympathy, and empathy to comfort and aid others. Luke 10:25-37
 - Burdened to comfort others and will <u>attract</u> others who are hurting and rejoicing. Rom. 12:13-15; 2 Cor. 1:3-7
- · Function within the body of Christ.
 - Helps others who have had loss in their lives. 2 Cor. 3:1-7; Acts 6:1-4; James 1:27; Luke 10:25-37
 - Helps others who have fallen into sin (restoration).
 Gal. 6:1-4; Acts 14:36-37, 9:21, 15:39

What do we do now? 1 Cor. 12:1-7

- Remember the <u>source</u> and purpose of your gifts. 1 Cor. 12:1-7, 12-30, 14:26; Eph. 4:12
- Make prayer a <u>priority</u> about your gifts. James 4:2-3; Luke 18:1-8

Please turn your outline over.