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### **ONE SPIRIT - MANY WORKS**

During the month of January, we will take our study Spiritual Gifts from (1 Corinthians 12:1-31).

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#### **Lesson: ONE GOD MANY WORKS**

Today's lesson will emphasize God the Father's involvement – **“And there are (eimi / p.a.ind.3pl) varieties of effects but the same God who works all things in all.”** (1 Cor.12:6)

**This lesson will study four aspects of One God, Many Works.**

- 1. The Greek word for effects (energema) [suffix of results of God working / operations] is from the same Greek root as works (ho energeo / p.a.ptc.nsm) [Articular Participle].**

The action of the **(p.a.ptc) of energeo (works)** occurs simultaneously with **eimi (p.a.ind.3pl) [are]**. There are varieties of effects (operations).

**Amplified Bible:** “And there are distinctive varieties of operations [of working to accomplish things], but it is the same God who inspires and energizes them all in all.” (1 Cor.12:6)

- 2. All Spiritual Gifts work according to the Master Plan of God.**

- The plan of distributing Spiritual Gift to each believer is according to the Master Plan of God.
- The working of each Spiritual Gift for edification of the body is according to the Master Plan of God.
- The placement of the Spiritual Gifted believer within a local church is according to the Master Plan of God.

**How do these three things relate to you?**

**Yeager remark on (1 Cor.12:6):** “This verse gives a picture of a perfectly coordinated body, **subject to one will**, which each member used to express his specific gift, with the result that what is done inures to the personal benefit of all.” (Renaissance of NT, vol.13, pg.50)

3. In (1 Cor.12:18, 24-25, 28), Paul used four Greek verbs to teach God's involvement in The Father's Master Plan regarding Spiritual Gifts during the Church Age.

We will mention four Greek words.

- **The 1st Greek** verb is in the phrase, “just as He pleased (thelo / a.a.ind.3ps) [Emotional involvement].”
- **The 2nd Greek** verb is **tithemi** [To be placed, appointed] (a.m.ind.3ps) [Sovereignty] twice to teach this concept (1 Cor.12:18, 28).
  - (1 Cor.12:18) “But now God has placed the members, each one of them, in the body, **just as He pleased.**”
  - (1 Cor.12:28) “And **God has appointed in the church**, first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, kinds of tongues.”
- **The 3rd Greek** verb is **sugkerannumi** [To blend together, compose] (a.m.ind.3ps) The Master Plan of one body with many members).
  - (1 Cor.12:24-25) “Whereas our seemly members have no need of it. **But God has so composed the body**, giving more abundant honor to which lacked, **that** there should be no division in the body, **but that the members should have the care for one another.**”
- **The 4th Greek** verb is **merizo** [divide into parts, allotted] (a.a.a.ind.3ps) A full ministry yet part of the body. (The Master Plan of one body with many members).
  - (Rom.12:3) “For the grace given to me I say to every man among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, **as God has allotted to each a measure of faith.**”
  - God has allotted each Church Age Believer (CAB) the measure of faith to always accomplish their spiritually gifted ministry.

4. While every Church Age Believer (CAB) becomes a member of the universal church of Jesus Christ when he believes the gospel of Christ, each believer must chose to become a member of a local church.

**Local churches were planted** in Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch of Pisidia as part of the southern Galatia missionary evangelism. In fact, **the Book of Galatians** was written to these churches (Gal.1:1).

There are two choices that require faith to activate the Grace God in the Plan of God regarding a local church.

- **Choice of local church:** “And after they had preached the gospel to that city and had made many disciples, they returned to **Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch**, strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying, ‘Through much tribulation we must enter the kingdom of God.’ And when they had appointed elders for them in every church, having prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.” (Acts 14:21-23; Rom.10:17)
- **Choice of attendance and participation:** “Not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, **but encouraging one another**; and all the more, as you see the day drawing near.” (Heb.10:25)

- The choice of a local church, attendance, and participation are important to the dynamics of spiritual gifted ministries in the plan of God at DSBC.

**You have one of these 9 gifts:** teacher, evangelist, exhortation, mercy, ministry-service, administration, leader, giving, and helps.

- Your spiritual gift functions under the ministry of the indwelling Holy Spirit (Gal.5:16-17).
- The Greek word for spiritual gifts in 1 Cor.12:1 is pneumatikos (belonging to the Holy Spirit).
- We are reminded in 1 Cor.12:4-6 that all three members are involved in the distribution and function of spiritual gifts of the local church.