# 1 CORINTHIANS

Seeing Life through the Mind of Christ

Understanding the Body of Christ (2)
1 Corinthians 12:21-31

#### Focus Verses

Verses 25 and 26

• 25 "so that there would be no division in the body, but that the members would have the same concern for each other. 26 So if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it."

## **Necessity**

Verses 21-24

- Want versus a need
- Basic needs
- Maslow's hierarchy of needs
- The all important question...



## Concern

Verses 24 through 26

- Concern defined
- The "Ultimate Concern"
- "What are you concerned about?"
- The practice and Biblical implication if this is lived out in the local church

### **Desire**

Verses 27 through 31

- A listing of roles and gifts
- "Are all, do all?"
- Desire placed within the appropriate context
- The dangers of misplaced desire
- Desire the "greater gifts"

#### Next steps

1. Identify one person that you can reach out to this week to see how they are doing. Pray with them.

2. Think about how God has gifted you, how can you use that gift for the benefit of His Church

3. If you are a believer in Jesus Christ, you are a part of the Body. But have you taken the step to commit to a local body?