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Scriptural References and Comment Notes

05-154-47 THINKING WITH FAITH

1:35 Romans 12:3-8 Reading. Teaching on man's view of himself, and his place, within the creation. God's word about the subject is described by Paul in verse 4. Don't think more highly of yourselves than you ought but think with sober judgment in accordance with the faith you have. Take a realistic look – a true and completely honest self-audit. There is a place for appreciation of the attributes that we possess, Reference Matthew 22:36-40. Recognize the strengths and use them for the Lord.

11:05 Romans 12:4 The church as the Body of Christ Reference 1 Corinthians 12:27 Not only like a body, as in a metaphor, but actually the Body of Christ – the extension of the incarnation in the world. The Spirit, which is the Holy Spirit, sometimes referred to as the Spirit of Jesus, Reference Acts 16:7, Philippians 1:19, is the life of the Body. Jesus is the Head.

17:05 Colossians 1:19 All the fullness of God was pleased to dwell in Jesus. Reference John 14:9 Jesus said "He who has seen me has seen the Father."

18:20 Ephesians 3:18-19. Paul says that he wishes that we become filled to the measure of the fullness of God.

23:20 Romans 12:4 Jesus is the Head of the body and is to direct its activity. But we as individual members not only are

related to the head but to each other. A vertical and a horizontal relationship.

Terry goes on to teach on the very necessity of spiritual togetherness as a condition of true maturity in Christ. Christians need to grow together with the other members. They need to be first hand witnesses of the manifestation of the Holy Spirit and they cannot have that Christian experience apart from the rest of the body. The Spirit manifests himself when God's people are together, centered on his presence in their midst. <u>Rom. 12:3</u> For by the grace given to me I bid every one 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 which God has assigned him. <u>4</u> For as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function, <u>5</u> so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. <u>6</u> Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; <u>7</u> if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; <u>8</u> he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

<u>Matt. 22:36</u> "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" <u>37</u> And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. <u>38</u> This is the great and first commandment. <u>39</u> And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. <u>40</u> On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets."

<u>1Cor. 12:27</u> Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

<u>Acts 16:7</u> And when they had come opposite Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them;

<u>Phil. 1:19</u> Yes, and I shall rejoice. For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance,

Col. 1:19 For in him all the fulness of God was pleased to dwell,

John 14:9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you do not know me, Philip? He who has seen me has seen the Father; how can you say, 'Show us the Father?

<u>Eph. 3:18</u> may have power to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <u>19</u> and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fulness of God.

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