

# THE CHURCH (5)

## ‘Working together’

### Introduction<sup>1</sup>

- understanding organisations
- avoiding pitfalls
  - exclusive attention
  - illegitimate extension

## UNITY

- the unity of the church<sup>2</sup>
- implications<sup>3</sup>
  - harmony
  - belonging

## DIVERSITY

- diversity in the church<sup>4</sup>
- implications
  - we each have a role
  - we have different roles<sup>5</sup>

## MATURITY

- maturity is the end<sup>6</sup>
  - body-building
  - the numbers game
- serving is the means<sup>7</sup>
  - each part working properly

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<sup>1</sup> Eph.1:22; Rom.12:3-8; 1 Cor.12:4-31; Eph.4:4-16

<sup>2</sup> 1 Cor.12:12-13; Rom.12:5; Eph.4:4; 1 Cor.12:27;

<sup>3</sup> Eph.4:3; 1 Cor.1:10; Phil.1:27; 2:2; 1 Pet.3:8; 1 Cor.12:13; Rom.12:5

<sup>4</sup> Rom.12:4-6; 1 Cor.12:4-6; 1 Pet.4:10; Eph.4:11;

<sup>5</sup> 1 Cor.12:15-26

<sup>6</sup> Eph.4:11-16

<sup>7</sup> Eph.4:16; 1 Tim.4:14; 2 Tim.1:6; 1 Cor.12:7; Eph.4:11-12; Col.2:19