

Ephesians 4:12~ With a view to the readjustment¹ of the holy ones, for ministerial work, for the building up of the body of the Christ.

Footnote: Or, to the putting into proper alignment

1· Paul now shows the purpose of these gifts, to be the readjustment of the holy ones for the work of the ministry, the preaching of the Good News of God's Kingdom. Secondly they are for the building up of the body of the Christ, both to those who are already members of this body, and those who are yet to be found among mankind.

[Question] What does Paul now show to be the primary reason for all these gifts of the Holy Spirit?

[Question] What is a second reason also, which is a result of this ministerial?

2· But the manifestation of the spirit is given to each one for a beneficial purpose. (1 Corinthians 12:7)

[Question] Why is the manifestation of the spirit given to each one?

3· What is to be done, then, brothers? When you come together, one has a psalm, another has a teaching, another has a revelation, another has a tongue, another has an interpretation. Let all things take place for upbuilding. (1 Corinthians 14:26)

[Question] How were all of these gifts to be used in a harmonious way, within the congregation of God?

4· And, after giving thanks, he broke it and said; This means my body which is in your behalf. Keep doing this in remembrance of me. (1 Corinthians 11:24)

[Question] What did the loaf of bread mean or symbolize for anointed Christians?

5· For just as the body is one, but has many members, and all the members of that body, although being many, are one body, so also is the Christ. (1 Corinthians 12:12)

[Question] What is the body comprised of, that are mostly different, yet what is it in wholeness?

6· So, being confident of this, I know I shall remain and shall

abide with all of you for your advancement, and the joy that belongs to your faith. (Philippians 1:25)

[Question] Why did Paul vision the congregation, and what was he seeking for them?