SAVED TO SERVE

Romans 12:3-8

I. The Grace Given Paul

Romans 1:1-5

II. For, I Say.... Be Sober-Minded about Yourself

Romans 12:1-2

Sōphronéō - be sensible, be clear minded, have sober judgment

III. Your Gifting is from God

1 Timothy 1:12-14

1 Corinthians 4:6-7

IV. We are One Body, We Need Each Other

1 Corinthians 12:12-26

- V. Differing Gifts, from God, for Service to God
 - A) Prophecy

Prophēteia - the capacity or ability to utter <u>inspired</u> messages; a discourse emanating from divine inspiration and declaring the <u>purposes</u> of God, whether by reproving and admonishing the wicked, or comforting the afflicted, or revealing things <u>hidden</u>

1 Corinthians 14:1-3, 31

B) Serving

Díakonía - service, help, ministry, waiting on

Luke 10:40

C) Teaching

Didáskō – teach, instruct; to impart skills or knowledge

Matthew 7:29

Acts 5:42

1 Timothy 3:2

Matthew 28:18-20

D) Exhorting

Parakaléō – to earnestly support or encourage a response or <u>action</u>; urge, implore, exhort

1 Thessalonians 3:2

Acts 14:21-22

Hebrews 10:25

E) Giving

Metadidōmi – share, give

Ephesians 4:28

Haplótēs – generously, liberally; not self seeking, openness of heart manifesting itself by generosity

Matthew 6:2

Acts 2:44-45

F) Leadership

Proïstēmi - guide, lead, direct; to go before

1 Timothy 5:17

Spoudé - eagerness, <u>diligence</u>; earnestness in accomplishing, promoting, or <u>striving</u> after anything

G) Showing Mercy

Eleeō - to help one afflicted or seeking aid

Matthew 17:15, 20:30

Hilarótēs - a state of happiness characterized by being cheerful

John 13:31-35

Closing Thought: One of the reasons we are saved is to serve the Body of Christ. It is not possible to be a Christian, and not be serving His Church. God has gifted every one of us, and we are to use His gifts for His purposes. There are no Body parts that are unnecessary; all believers work together to carry out Christ's work on this earth. When we all do our part, then the Body will function properly. Are you using your gifts for yourself or for Christ's Church?