

4) Based on the readings for the week:

- a) In 1 Corinthians 12, why do you think Paul (the apostle) uses the language of the body to explain belonging to the church?
- b) In Philippians, Paul stresses the unity of belonging to the body of Christ, even in the midst of conflict. When the church is broken in conflict (like any community) what is Paul's remedy for this brokenness?
- c) In Romans, Paul urges those that belong to the church "Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world." What does this mean? How does it affect our attitude to other members of the body of Christ?
- d) Within all the readings, what does it mean for you to know that God has placed gifts on your lives for the building up the church? How do you use these gifts? Do you know what they are?

Readings for this week:

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

Philippians 2:1-18

Romans 12:1-18

5) Questions regarding the teaching or the readings? Please submit at least 1 question per person, attach their name to each question please. Remember, there are no stupid questions.

6) Practice your membership at St. Mark's. Have you thought about offering times of service, helping hands for the work of the church?