

what every joint supplies



# We get the body analogies

- Whether it is only joints.
- Whether it is each and every body part.

Bottom line: **the well-being of the body depends upon all parts of the body supplying to its well-being.**



# Different “Joints”

## Ephesians 4:11

- Apostles
- Prophets
- Evangelists
- Pastors and teachers



# The Purpose

## Ephesians 4:12

- Equipping of the saints
- For the work of ministry
- For the edifying of the body of Christ



# The Goal:

## Ephesians 4:13

- till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God
- Or: to a perfect man
- Or: to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ



# How **NOT** to Reach The Goal:

## Ephesians 4:14

- that we should **no longer be children**
  - tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine:
    - by the trickery of men
    - in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting,



# How TO Reach The Goal: Ephesians 4:15

- “but, **Speaking the truth in love**, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ—”
- “from whom the whole body... **by what every joint supplies**... causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.”



**Purpose:** for the edifying  
of the body of Christ.

**Goal:** Perfect man

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# Building the body in love...

## Romans 12:9-21

- Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good.
- Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love,
- in honor giving preference to one another;
- not lagging in diligence,
- fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;
- rejoicing in hope,
- patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer;
- distributing to the needs of the saints,
- given to hospitality.



# Building the body in love...

## Romans 12:9-21

- Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.
- Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.
- Be of the same mind toward one another.
- Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble.
- Do not be wise in your own opinion.
- Repay no one evil for evil.
- Have regard for good things in the sight of all men.



# Building the body in love...

## Romans 12:9-21

- If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.
- Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord. Therefore “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head.”
- Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”

