

Title: Family Ties

text: I Corinthians 11:17-22, 12:12-26

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WARM-UP QUESTIONS:

1. Growing up, did you ever feel that you were different from others in your family, school, or neighborhood? What did you try to do? As you look back, how did this shape and affect your perception of yourself and others?
2. We once again are confronting the painful realities of bias, prejudice, and discrimination based on one's racial identity and other personal characteristics. How would you assess the progress or regress of our social dynamics? What are your personal reactions?

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

1. Paul sees that there are many different groups that comprise the church in Corinth. From the above passage, identify these groups. What marks their differences? What do they share in common? How does Paul address and redirect any thoughts or feelings of being excluded or isolated from others in the household of God there?
2. What might it mean to "give greater honor" to another person (12:24)?

APPLICATION QUESTION

1. How are you processing our sermon series, "Family Ties"? What is making you uncomfortable? How are you encouraged?
2. As you see the Evergreen-LA family, what are the different groups who call this community home? What are our commonalities and differences? What might God be revealing and prompting you to do to see the peace and well-being of each person in our church family?