

# “No Pew-Warming Allowed”: The ‘Sign’ of a Healthy Church

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The corporate church of Jesus Christ was never designed to have one-man shows. It was designed by Jesus and encouraged by the apostles to be a body – a body that has many functions; in fact, every part of the body should function for the church to be healthy. Anything less is a mutation of the supernatural architecture of what the church as people empowered by the Holy Spirit should be. Just read...

- **Ephesians 4:16** “from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, **causes growth of the body** for the edifying of itself in love.”
- **1 Corinthians 12:4-11** (4) There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. (5) There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. (6) And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. (7) But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one **for the profit of all:** (8) for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, (9) to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, (10) to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another *different* kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. (11) But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.
- **Romans 12:6a** Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us,
- **1 Corinthians 14:26** How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done **for edification.**
- **1 Peter 4:10-11** As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. (11) If anyone speaks, *let him speak* as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, *let him do it* as with the ability which God supplies, **that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ,** to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.