SERMON NOTES

"Drinking of the Spirit" 1 Corinthians 12:12 – 13 Pastor Steve Cavallaro

I. Differences in gifts, cultures, and power divided the church. How did Paul address this? (v. 12)

"Jews or Greeks, slaves or free" "the body is one and has many members" "so it is with Christ"

In Christ we are one ______ of different ______.

Ephesians 4:3 – 7

2. God alone is Lord of the conscience, and hath left it free from the doctrines and commandments of men, which are, in anything, contrary to his Word; or beside it, if matters of faith, or worship. -WCF, XX

"There are no one-member churches, nor are there any every-member gifts." -Mark Strauss

II. How are we in Christ? (v. 13)

"in the Spirit we were all baptized into one body"

Numbers 11 -> Joel 2 -> Mark 1 -> Acts 1 & 2

Jesus ______ all the church with the ______.

Numbers 11:29 Mark 1:8 Romans 8:9, 11 Galatians 3:14 Ephesians 1:13 – 14

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"When Adam sinned, he lost the gift of original righteousness, indeed, but with it also the gift of the Holy Spirit..." -B.B. Warfield

"No matter what had previously separated these people, they all had been joined together in one body by the means of one Spirit." -Richard Pratt

"And as it was in **one Spirit** that they **were all baptized**, therefore it was <u>into one</u> **body** that they were all baptized." -F.F. Bruce

"So the baptism of the Spirit in this verse, far from being a dividing factor (some have it, other have not,) is the great unifying factor (an experience we all had.)" -John Stott

III. Well, that was <u>when</u> we believed. What about now, in the present? (v. 13)

"all were made to drink of one Spirit."

The church is ______ by drinking of the Spirit.

John 7:37 – 38

"The Word took bodily form so that we might receive the Holy Spirit: God became the bearer of a body so that men might be bearers of the Spirit." -Athanasius

BIG IDEA: Jesus gives and sustains life in the church thru the Spirit.