## Building Community Colossians 3:16 & 1 Corinthians 12:12-28 The Gift of Accountability and Consistency September 17, 2023

## We are given the double gift of Accountability and Consistency.

In order for the body to function properly, every part must be doing its job.

Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-28 for Paul's illustration of the body.

You are the body of Christ. Each of you has a part to play. Each of you are a part of the Church.

## The Parable of the Weeds ~ Mt 13:24-30

Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared.

"The owner's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?'

"An enemy did this,' he replied.

"The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?'

"No,' he answered, 'because while you are pulling the weeds, you may uproot the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn."

> Accountability is absolutely useless. Unless we have similar awareness and understanding.

"To know and be known: that was the final desire, the heart of love." — Justin Cronin

## **Sermon Questions**

1. What are some positives and negatives about accountability?

2. How does accountability and consistency help build community?

3. What is the Criteria for Accountability?

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Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ~ Colossians 3:16