



Title: Linkup VII – celebrating one another
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Eph 4:16 (NLT)

He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

There is something about “being yourself” (doing your own special work) that releases health, growth and love.

YOU ARE IMPORTANT

1 Cor 12:18-22

But our bodies have many parts, and God has put each part just where He wants it.

How strange a body would be if it had only one part! Yes, there are many parts, but only one body.

The eye can never say to the hand, “I don't need you.” The head can't say to the feet, “I don't need you.”

In fact, some parts of the body that seem weakest and least important are actually the most necessary.

HOW DO WE LINKUP WITH ONE ANOTHER? By celebrating one another and caring for one another

1 Cor 12:25-26 (NLT)

This makes for harmony among the members, so that all the members care for each other. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it, and if one part is honoured, all the parts are glad.

Romans 15: 5-6 (NLT)

Now may the God Who gives the power of patient endurance (steadfastness) and Who supplies encouragement, grant you to live in such mutual harmony and such full sympathy with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may [*unanimously*] with united hearts and one voice, praise and glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah).

CELEBRATING

Romans 15:1-3 (AMP)

We who are strong [*in our convictions and of robust faith*] ought to bear with the failings and the frailties and the tender scruples of the weak; [*we ought to help carry the doubts and qualms of others*] and not to please ourselves.

Let each one of us make it a practice to please (make happy) his neighbour for his good and for his true welfare, to edify him [*to strengthen him and build him up spiritually*].

- If you are strong in an area, you need to have grace for someone who is not strong or is different.

Eph 4:29

Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.

CARING

Eph 4:32

Instead, be kind to each other, tender hearted, forgiving one another...

Encouragement partners (accountability partners)

1. Don't judge. If you see blind spots – PRAY!
2. Celebrate every next step.
3. Caring in time of need.

Proverbs 18:24 (NLT)

There are “friends” who destroy each other, but a real friend sticks closer than a brother.