

if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching; or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor; not lagging behind in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality.

B. Categorization of the functions of the Church

1. The prophetic function
 - a. Preaching
 - b. Teaching
 - c. Counseling
 - d. Reaching out in evangelistic and missionary activity
 - e. Attempting to influence our society and culture
2. The worship function
 - a. Assembling for worship
 - b. Conducting worship services
 - c. Conducting form ceremonies
 - d. Administering the ordinances/sacraments
 - e. Corporate prayer
3. The fellowship function
 - a. sharing the understanding of Scripture
 - b. Sharing Christian experience
 - c. Sharing hospitality
 - d. Sharing leisure-time activities
 - e. Sharing of special social occasions
4. The stewardship function
 - a. Stewardship of human resources