

# 1 Corinthians 12:12

The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body.

•	God created us to be	interdependent	not to be independent.
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## 1 Corinthians 12:14-15

Now the body is not made up of one part but of many. If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body.

**2** You do not need to become someone <u>different</u> to belong.

## 1 Corinthians 12:17

If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be?

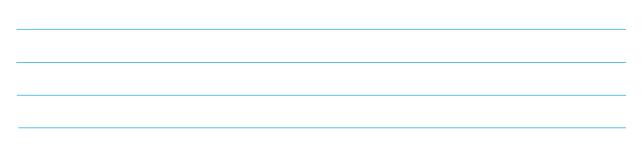
🚽 There is great	value	in our differences.

## 1 Corinthians 12:18

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#### EXERCISE

The word "set" is a Jewelers term. The Jeweler has three goals in mind when creating a set and placing the stone. Brainstorm with your team and write down what you think the three goals are below with a brief explanation.



# THE MYSTERY OF DIFFERENCES

# THE JEWELER WANTS TO:

1.	Secure			the stone for a lifetime.
2.	Show		Off	the stone.
3.	Hide	the	inperfections	of the stone.

## 1 Corinthians 12:18

But in fact God has arranged (placed, set) the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be.

4 Our differences are designed to <u>complete</u> us not to defeat us.

**5** What you decide to do with differences will divide you or <u>unite</u> you.

