

**Lent Day 28**

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**Reading:** [Romans 12:1-8](#)

**Reflection**

Growing up in a rural community I came to love playing team sports. There never was an abundance of players but we found out where we fit in best by our skills. What kept us together as a team were our coaches, team leaders and captains. We became tight knitted and knew how to anticipate each of our moves. Good friendships were made and a strong desire to be the best with winning as our goal.

As I came to faith in Jesus Christ, going to church became a welcome activity. It is a place of fellowship and a training place for a life long journey of growing and trusting God. Jesus is Lord of all, the church and all the people He has drawn together, He is the Head coach. As He identifies to each member where they are to fit in, it becomes a joyful service. When conflict arises among church members it usually is an indication that there is a failing to submit one's will to Jesus Christ as the Head and to each other who are part of this body. In sports there is a very competitive spirit to win and sometimes at all costs. In our faith walk with God it is a life of surrendering our will and being faithful to use the gifts of service He has for us. It is with joy that we are on this church team He's picked!

**Prayer**

Lord thank-you for your church. Unify us as a body to hear your call and to serve with glad hearts.