

**Outline of Jim Graham's sermon
on Sunday 6 December 2009
at Hertford Baptist Church 112th Anniversary**

**Bible Reading
1 Corinthians 12:12 - 13:3**

THE CHURCH IS

- 1. People, not a building / denomination / organisation**
- 2. The new body of Christ on earth**
- 3. The only weapon in God's hand to destroy the devil**
- 4. The only society that exists primarily for non-members**
- 5. The community of faith for which Jesus died**

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CHURCH

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| 1. Unity | 12: 12,13 |
| 2. Diversity | 12: 18 |
| 3. Harmony | 12: 20 |

PRINCIPLES OF THE CHURCH

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| 1. All need to assume responsibility | 12: 15,16 |
| 2. All need to accept limitations | 12: 17,18 |
| 3. All need to affirm others | 12: 21,22 |
| 4. All need to appreciate unity | 12: 24 - 26 |