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- Here are five quick tips that will help us:
- **1) We are to live in harmony with one another**
- I know the body of Christ consists of all kinds of people with differing personalities, perspectives, and interests, and each one is essential
- Brethren, isn't it great to have good song leaders? The point is, if we don't have the unity of the Spirit as our conductor, we'll all be singing our own tune and I don't think you want me to do that
- God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings
(1 Peter 4:10)



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- **ROOM 5020**
- *Jay Bufton turned his hospital room into a lighthouse. The fifty-two-year-old husband, father, high school teacher, and coach was dying of cancer, but his room 5020 – became a beacon of hope for friends, family, and hospital workers. Because of his joyful attitude and strong faith, nurses wanted to be assigned to Jay. Some even came to see him during off-hours. Even as his once-athletic body was wasting away, he greeted anyone and everyone with a smile and encouragement. One friend said, “Every time I visited Jay he was upbeat, positive, and filled with hope. He was, even while looking cancer and death in the face, living out his faith.”*
- *At Jay’s funeral, one speaker noted that **Room 5020** had a special meaning. He pointed to **(Genesis 50:20)**, in which Joseph says that although his brothers sold him into slavery, God turned the tables and accomplished something good: The saving of many lives.”*
- *Cancer invaded Jay’s life, but by recognizing God’s hand at work Jay could say that “God intended it for good.” That’s why Jay could use even the ravages of cancer as an open door to tell others about Jesus.*

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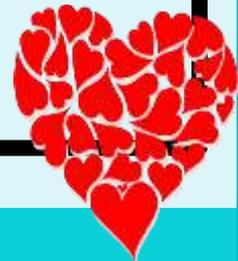
- Friends, this requires a self-sacrificial attitude. We come alongside them in their need and pain to help bear the burden
- We'd much rather “*rejoice with those who rejoice*” than “*weep with those who weep*” **(Romans 12:15)** But sympathy is all over the Scriptures
- **3) We need brotherly love**
- **(Romans 12:10)** describes this as devotion to one another as if we were in the same family



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- Brethren, that is exactly what Christians are – members of God’s household
- **(1 Thessalonians 4:9)**
- *Don't miss this and more!!*
- Our love, we excel in the ones we love
- Our common interests, personalities, but the oneness we have with each other in the Godhead
(John 17:21)



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- Brethren, rather than leaving a trail of **C**riticism, **D**issentation, and **D**isharmony in our wake, we must seek to pave a pathway of **R**ecconciliation and **P**eace
- In fact, that's how we walk in a manner worthy of the Lord and reflect Christ-likeness in our **A**ttitudes, **W**ords, and **A**ctions
- Believers should be known as *peacemakers*, not *troublemakers*
- Glory be to God



**Jesus Taught
us how to
Serve Others**

