

1 CORINTHIANS

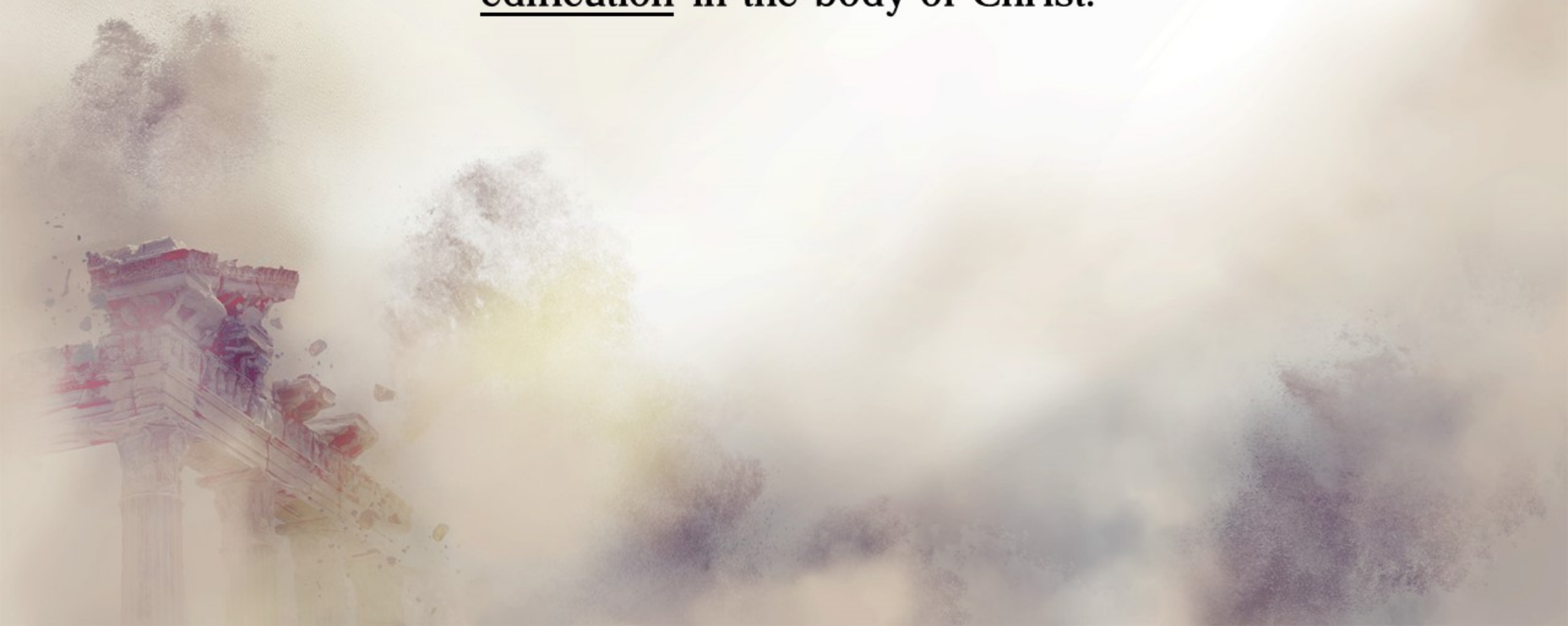
LEARNING TO LIVE BY THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL

“Order in the Church”

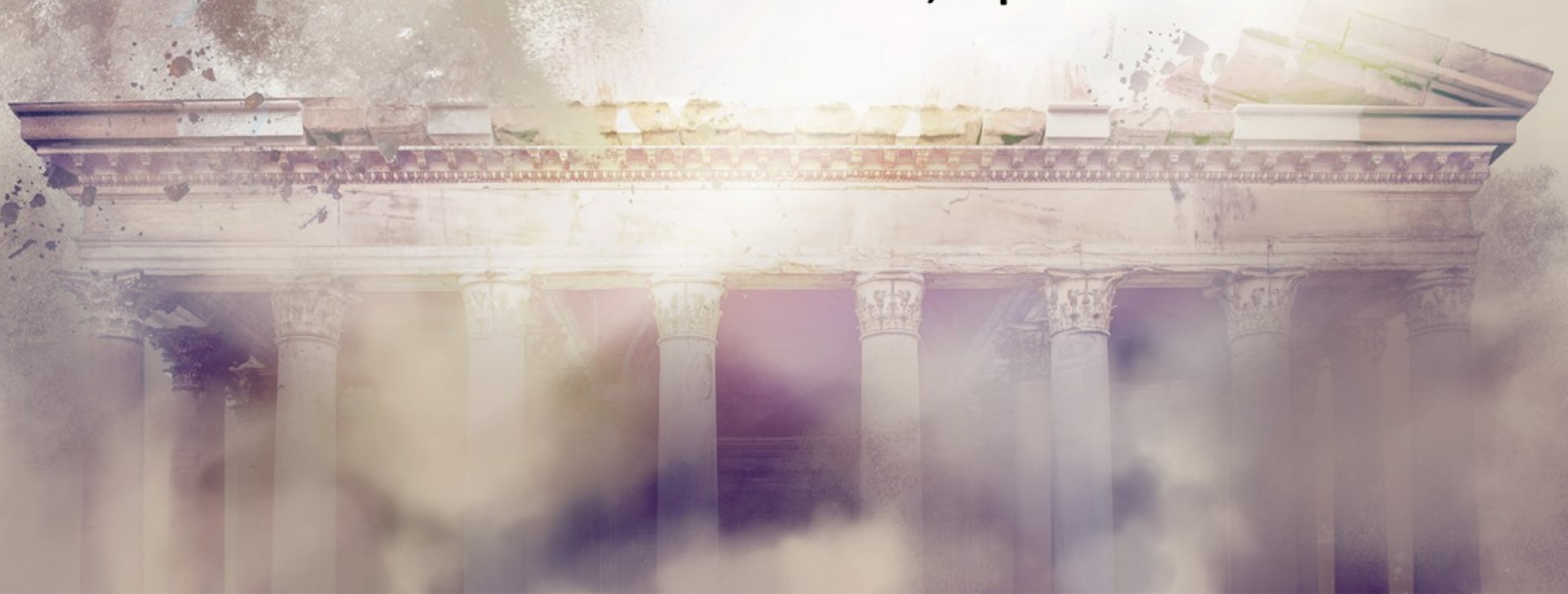
1 Corinthians 14:26-40

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“And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, **for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;” Ephesians 4:11-13**



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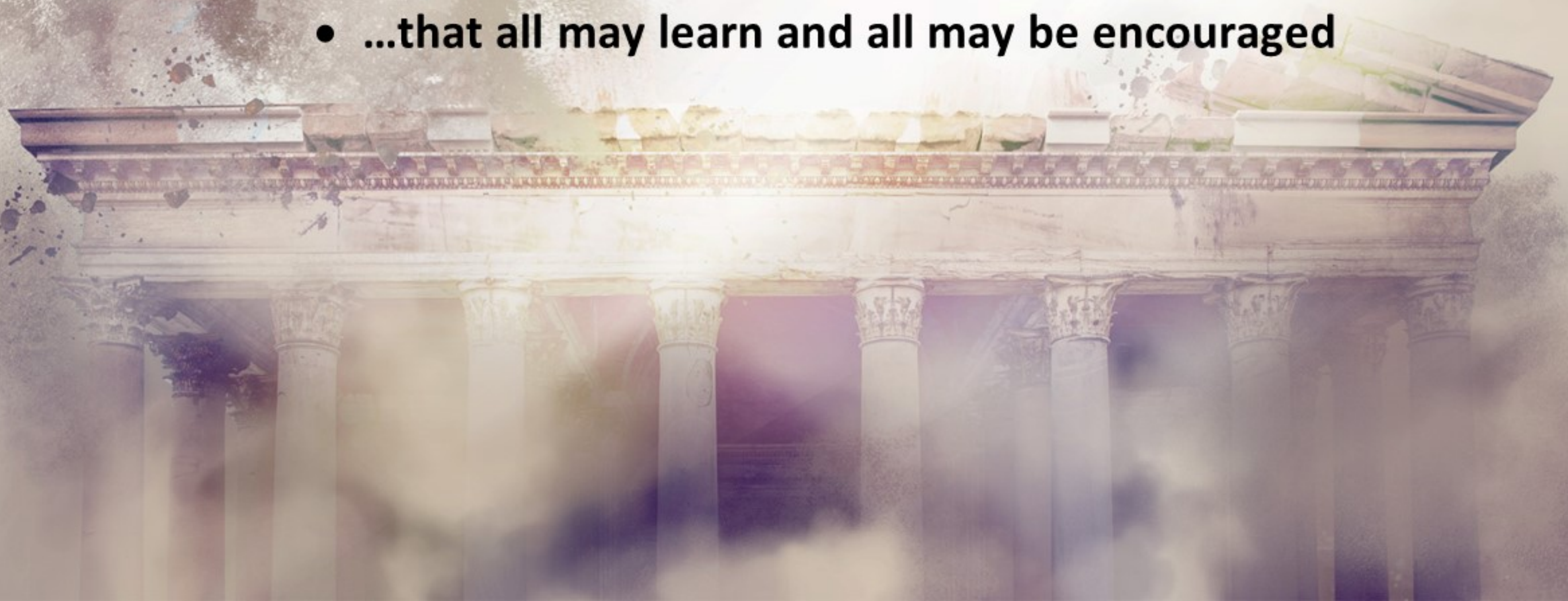
Tongues in a church meeting are to be carefully measured:

- **Two or three at the most**
- **Each in turn**
- **And let one interpret**



Prophecy is also carefully ordered:

- **Let two or three prophets speak**
- **Let the others judge**
- **Prophecy one by one**
- **...that all may learn and all may be encouraged**



The key to this chapter:
The worship of the church should manifest the character of God.



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3. Keep Silent: Women should not judge prophecy publicly or disrupt worship service.