

Grace be to you and peace from God our Father and our Lord and Savior  
Jesus Christ. Amen.

Roses are red  
Violets are blue  
And to try something new  
I'll preach a sermon in rhyme for you

I know that there will be some bumps  
But please don't be glumps  
I figured I'd try to do something new  
And reach high and have fun too.

Last week the Corinthians were in a tift  
Because they each thought they had a special gift.  
This week Paul continues to talk  
As the Corinthians continue to squawk

You see, they did not realize that in Christ they are one.  
Their learning on this matter had just begun.  
See in Corinth, all wanted to be on top  
But they didn't realize that the church would pop

The church is one  
In Jesus Christ God's Son.  
We are many parts  
Some named Ann, others Andre, others Sue and others Barts

We each have a job  
~ even that nice chap named Bob  
Without each part  
We can not start

We can not work together well  
If we all think that we are swell  
We forget that we are one  
In Jesus Christ, God's only Son

Some time we think  
Even in a blink  
That one or two of us  
Can do all of the work and drive the bus

But we each have a function  
At a different junction.  
We each have a shift  
So please don't go adrift.

We all are one  
In Jesus Christ God's only Son  
We need each other  
Every sister and brother

Together we will work  
With all of our little quirks  
You see, we sink or swim together  
Even when we carry a feather

We will each have sight  
When we see the light  
That we all are one  
In Christ Jesus, God's son

We can not say  
We don't need you – eh  
We all are equal  
Even if this is a sequel

But really, we are one body see  
We are part of God's family tree  
We help each other  
Our sisters and brothers

Both here and far  
Really wherever we are  
We Are one  
in Christ Jesus, God's only Son.

God has arranged us  
So we shouldn't fuss  
He has arranged us  
In a bus

Not really, God has given each of us a gift in a fuse  
Which we have free will to choose to use  
If we want to be on top  
We may just drop

Our sisters and brothers  
And some others  
When one of us suffers  
There are no buffers

Because you see we are one  
In Christ Jesus, God's only Son  
If one of us is crowned  
The rest of us aren't drowned

We are all lifted up high  
Lifted up – high in the sky  
We all have gifts  
So don't be caught up in tifts

God has arranged us  
So please don't fuss  
We all have a function  
At a different junction

Some are teachers  
Others preachers  
Some are moms  
Some are Toms

Some are dads  
Some are part of fads  
Some are kids  
Others sell lids

Some are tots  
Who bang lid pots  
Others are youth  
Who should stay off the roof.

Some are doctors and nurses  
And some of us carry purses  
Some are musicians  
And some tell us weather conditions

No matter what we do  
Know that God loves you.  
We are of one body see  
We are all part of God's family tree

Above all we should try  
To remember to stand by  
Each other  
Sisters and brothers

We all are essential to the ministry that we do  
For things to run smoothly we need you.  
Please take part in what we do  
Yes you are essential, you.

We can be one  
Let's have some fun  
Again, we are all essential  
To reach our potential.

Now the peace of God which surpasses all human understanding be in your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus the Lord. Amen.