

Why do we envy others? Why does jealousy sneak in like a silent fog, clouding our vision of God's blessings? It is because we fail to appreciate that God has blessed each person with unique gifts, talents and abilities to be discovered and enjoyed by each one. The psalmist David wrote that God created each of us "fearfully and wonderfully", in a "marvellous" way. (Psalm 139:14) Therefore, our gifts, talents, abilities and blessings are unique to us, as are those blessings God has given others. Paul wrote about gifts another way, likening us to the individual parts of the human body. (1 Corinthians 12:14-26) Each part is unique and important, and should be honoured as such.

Whenever you feel a twinge of envy or jealousy, let it remind you to thank God for how He has made and blessed you. Then put your blessings to use for Him and others!

1 Corinthians 12:18 "But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased."