

The Body of Christ

Our Heavenly Father wants us, the body of Christ, to be perfected in His love that we might bring about unity between our members. Then we will be able to effectively and powerfully minister to others. The body of Christ you see, is one complete unit consisting of many parts. The accomplishment of this miracle occurs only through the Holy Spirit baptizing us into this great body as new creations in Christ Jesus. Therefore we are many different organs, LINKED TOGETHER through one Spirit, BY GOD'S LOVE.

God has designed this thing so that we require each other's help. Anyone who can say I belong to Jesus, CANNOT SAY I don't need that ministry because I don't belong to or believe as they do. God has placed and arranged the limbs and organs in His Body as He wished and saw fit, and where they were best suited. 1st Corinthians 12 states that there is an absolute necessity for those parts of the body that appear or are considered to be more weak. He also stated that those parts are the ones, which we invest with additional honor and God has proportioned this body, giving greater honor and richer endowment to the inferior parts which lack apparent importance. We may not all be apostles, prophets, teachers but WE ALL HAVE AND CAN CULTIVATE THE GREATEST AND BEST GIFT OF ALL, GOD'S LOVE.

Praying in the Spirit

As we believe, through the exercise of our faith in God's Love for us, we begin to see His body AS HE SEES IT. We begin to see its low places and its high places. We begin to feel its needs as He feels its needs AND BEGIN TO CRY OUT, GOD WHAT IS GOING ON? HOW CAN I HELP? Then He reminds us the reason we feel these things IS WE TRULY ARE ONE WITH ONE ANOTHER AND WHEN ONE REJOICES, WE REJOICE WITH HIM, WHEN HE WEEPS WE WEEP WITH HIM.

It is then when Christ, through His Holy Spirit, begins to make us realize that WHAT WE SAY AND DO, CAN AND DOES EFFECT THE REMAINDER OF THE BODY. He will always encourage us to do good, to love and bear up one another. Because this is a SPIRITUAL BODY, when one hurts, the Holy Spirit will place the BURDEN TO PRAY upon your SPIRIT. You may not know what to pray for as you may feel you should, but you still should be obedient and pray. PRAY BY THE HOLY SPIRIT WHO KNOWS ALL AND SEES ALL. He will help you to pray accurately for your brother and sister who is in need. As we allow our spirit to be lifted UP by HIS HOLY SPIRIT into the spiritual realm, the Spirit of Christ in us, by the Holy Spirit, will make supplication through us and the needs of His body will be met.

YOU ARE IMPORTANT! You have a far greater role to play than you may realize. One that is better by far and is the highest of these all, THAT OF LOVING GOD'S BODY. For though we speak with tongues of even angels or prophecy great revelations or give all we have to the helping of the poor, if we do not have God's love IN us and WALK in it according to His Spirit, WE ARE NOTHING and WILL GAIN NOTHING. It is only when we look through HIS eyes that we can see what HE sees, the needs, hurts, and the triumphs.

Flowing as a Body

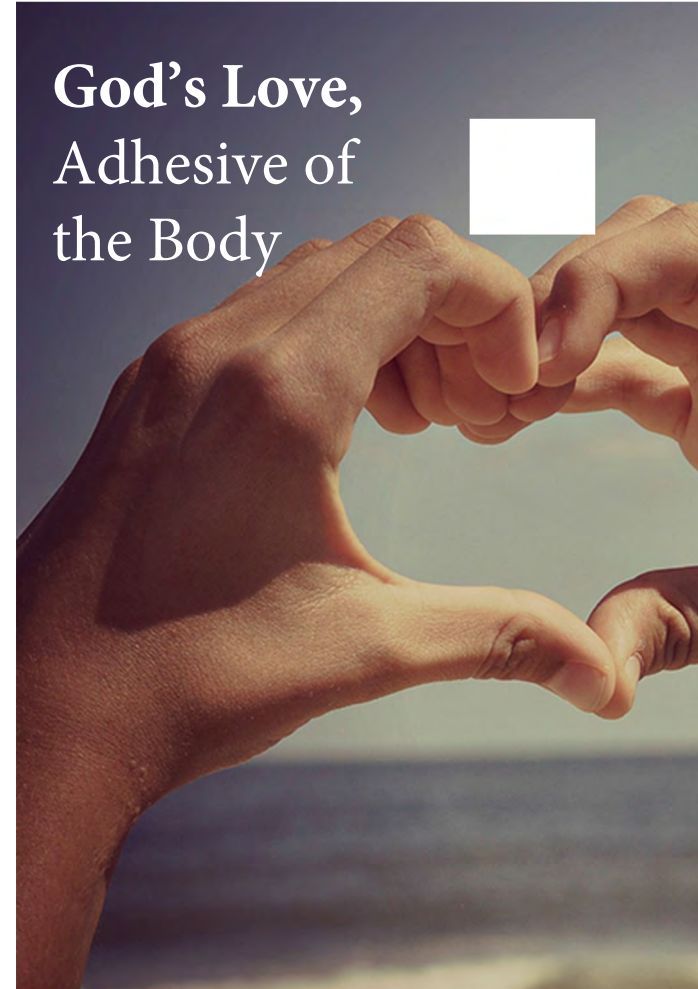
The Body of Christ needs your love, faith and strength more now than ever before. There are NO unnecessary members in Christ's Body just as there are no unnecessary members in YOUR body. The only way in which we can accomplish our obligation to the body of Christ is through the Spirit. The Holy Spirit created us to be one therefore He can cause us to FUNCTION as one. As we yield to the promptings of His Spirit, we will truly flow as the body of Christ, great power will be manifested, healings for hurts and divisions will come and the glory of God will be made known.



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God's Love, Adhesive of the Body

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