

## Gives Me \_\_\_\_\_

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**- 1 Corinthians 12:21**

*SO WHAT . . . . .*

JOIN the body of Christ – salvation through faith in Jesus Christ

Be FAITHFUL to the body of Christ

SERVE with and for the body of Christ

INVEST in the body of Christ (time, talent, treasure)

The best way to get connected to the body of Christ at Grace

### GROWTH TRACK

Today from 2-4 pm

Free Childcare

Grace 101 CONNECT—membership class, vision, beliefs

Grace 201 GROW—spiritual disciplines, prayer, Bible study

Grace 301 SERVE—getting involved, serving, ministries

Grace 401 GO—sharing your faith, baptism in the Holy Spirit

### ACTION POINTS FOR FOR TODAY

- Participate in the Community Job and Health Fair
- Attend one of the classes of the Growth Track today from 2-4 pm
- Join a small group by filling out enrollment form online at [graceassembly.org](http://graceassembly.org)
- Invite someone to join you next week @thegraceag

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## The Body of Christ

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Images in the Bible that help us understand our relationship with God and each other . . .

**A body** (1 Corinthians 12)

**A living tree** (John 15)

**Bride of Christ** (Ephesians 5:25)

**A family** (Galatians 6:10)

Sermon Text:

*“Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.*

*Now if the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body. . . .*

*...The eye cannot say to the hand, “I don’t need you!” And the head cannot say to the feet, “I don’t need you!” On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.”*

**- 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 NIV**

## BIG IDEA

God created the human body to help us understand our relationships with one another in the body of Christ

*“The way God designed our bodies is a model for understanding our lives together as a church.”*

**- 1 Corinthians 12:25 (TM)**

Being Part of The Body . . . . .

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*“What we have is one body with many parts, each its proper size and in its proper place. No part is important on its own.”*

**- 1 Corinthians 12:20**

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*“...speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, **grows** and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.”*

**- Ephesians 4:15-16**

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*“What a strange thing a body would be if it had only one part!”*

**- 1 Corinthians 12:19 TLB**

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*“For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us.”*

**- Romans 12:4-6 NIV**

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“One Another” Commandments in the NT

“...Be at peace with each other.” (Mark 9:50)

“...Wash one another’s feet.” (John 13:14)

“...Love one another...” (John 13:34, 35, 15:12 and 15:17)

“Be devoted to one another in brotherly love...” (Romans 12:10)

“...Honor one another above yourselves. (Romans 12:10)

“Live in harmony with one another...” (Romans 12:16)

“...Stop passing judgment on one another.” (Romans 14:13)

“Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you...” (Romans 15:7)

“...Instruct one another.” (Romans 15:14)

“Greet one another with a holy kiss...” (Romans 16:16)

“...When you come together to eat, wait for each other.” (I Cor. 11:33)

“...Have equal concern for each other.” (I Corinthians 12:25)

“...Greet one another with a holy kiss.” (I Corinthians 16:20)

“...Serve one another in love.” (Galatians 5:13)

“Carry each other’s burdens...” (Galatians 6:2)

“...Be patient, bearing with one another in love.” (Ephesians 4:2)

“Be kind and compassionate to one another...” (Ephesians 4:32)

“...Forgiving each other...” (Ephesians 4:32)

“Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs.” (Ephesians 5:19)

“Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.” (Ephesians 5:21)

“...In humility consider others better than yourselves.” (Philippians 2:3)

“Do not lie to each other...” (Colossians 3:9)

“Bear with each other...” (Colossians 3:13)

“...Forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another.” (Col 3:13)

“Teach...[one another]” (Colossians 3:16)

“...Admonish one another (Colossians 3:16)

“...Make your love increase and overflow for each other.” (I Thessalonians 3:12)

“...Love each other.” (I Thessalonians 4:9)

“...Encourage each other...” (I Thessalonians 4:18)

“...Build each other up...” (I Thessalonians 5:11)

“Encourage one another daily...” Hebrews 3:13)

“...Spur one another on toward love and good deeds.” (Hebrews 10:24)

“...Encourage one another.” (Hebrews 10:25)

“...Do not slander one another.” (James 4:11)

“Don’t grumble against each other...” (James 5:9)

“Confess your sins to each other...” (James 5:16)

“...Pray for each other.” (James 5:16)

“...Love one another deeply, from the heart.” (I Peter 3:8)

“...Live in harmony with one another...” (I Peter 3:8)

“...Love each other deeply...” (I Peter 4:8)

“Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling.” (I Peter 4:9)

“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others...” (I Pet 4:10)

“...Clothe yourselves with humility toward one another...” (I Peter 5:5)

“Greet one another with a kiss of love.” (I Peter 5:14)

“...Love one another.” (I John 3:11)