



One in Christ

We Are Members Of One Another
Key verses: Romans 12:5; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31;
Ephesians 4:1-16
#1 in a series on the *One Another* Statements
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Theme: **Live in and preserve the unity God has created.**

God has made us members of one another.

1. The Holy Spirit has baptized us into Christ's body, His church.
(1 Corinthians 12:12-13, 20, 27; Galatians 3:26-27; cf. Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; Titus 3:5)
2. We are united in one body.
(Romans 12:5; 1 Corinthians 12:12-16, 20; Ephesians 2:14-18; 4:4)

God's dynamics of believers being members of one another.

1. We are interdependent.
(Romans 12:5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-5, 12-21, 20-21, 26)
2. We are placed where and as God wants us.
(1 Corinthians 12:18, 28; Ephesians 4:1-16; cf. Romans 15:2; 1 Corinthians 4:1-7, 21)
3. We are to be humble.
(Romans 12:3; 15:2; 1 Corinthians 12:22-26; Ephesians 4:2; Philippians 2:1-8)
4. We are to preserve the unity God has given us.
(Ephesians 4:3)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. We are members of one another—each and every believer (see Romans 12:5). Think through what this truth means to you. Now read the two key passages we noted on Sunday for an overall perspective (1 Corinthians 12:12-31 and Ephesians 4:1-16).

Tuesday. Believers are members of one another because that is part of God's new creation of us in Christ (see 1 Corinthians 12:13). All believers are members of the one body, the church. Christ has broken down the dividing walls (see Ephesians 2:14-16).

Our church facility is in Peachland. How do we fit with all believers in Peachland, Summerland, West Kelowna and Kelowna being part of one body? You might find some Christians more difficult to relate to or agree with on some/many things. Does that affect you all being part of the same body? Why?

Wednesday. God's dynamics of believers being members of one another is that we are interdependent—there is a God-created interconnectedness with essential mutual needs and responsibilities. Review Paul's illustrations of this in 1 Corinthians 12:4-5, 12-17, 20-21, 26. Describe how that is and should be seen.

Another dynamic is that each member is placed where and as God wants us (see 1 Corinthians 12:8 and Ephesians 4:11). What does this say about you? How do you live out being where God has placed you?

Thursday. Another indispensable dynamic of being members of one another is humility (see the references in the outline). What is humility? What is it not? Why is humility important, beyond the fact that God commands it? What should motivate us to be humble according to Philippians 2:1, 5? What is your *HQ*, or *Humility Quotient*?

Friday/Saturday. Sunday we plan to look at *Loving One Another*. Review some of the New Testament statements about this beginning with Jesus' commands in John chapters 13 and 15 as you prepare for our time together.