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### LESSON PLAN

**Purpose:**

Every member of the body of Christ has a special part. Each of us is valuable. We can't function properly unless all the parts are working together.

**Bible Lesson and text:**

Jeremiah 18: 1-6 (the potter) or any Bible character and the importance of their life in the scriptures. They fulfilled their place in God's plan. David purposed to fulfill his purpose for his generation

**Focus:**

What would life be like if you or I were not here? God's planned us for such a time as this. (Esther 4:14)

**Scripture:**

Romans 12:5 "So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another." (KJV)

**Lie Buster:**

One, two, three: You, Jesus and me; Together in God's destiny  
I am the right part that makes God's picture perfect.

**Teaching Styles:**

Act out the lesson of the potter using props.

**Object Lesson 1: Operation game**

**Point:**

The game will show how our natural body needs all its parts to work right. The body of Christ has many parts that fit to do their God ordained part. There are many ways to bring the spiritual relationship with this.

**Props:**

Operation (the game)



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### Directions:

1. Let each child have a turn at the picking out the body pieces. Apply the scripture Romans 12:3-8, to pieces of the body parts and talk about how each of them has a ministry gift. To relate more to younger children, show pictures with the seven ministry gifts.

Prophesying

Serving or Ministering

Teaching

Encouraging or Exhorts

Giving

Leading or Rules (as one who is put in front)

Mercy

2. Before the child can pick a body part from the game, they will repeat the memory verse. The game pieces can be placed on a picture of Jesus or the hand or heart of God to show how we all came from God. Then after each child has turn the pieces can be taken of the picture of Jesus and placed back in body with the children speaking one of the Lie Buster Identity Statements.

### 3. Teaching points:

- A. These pieces are made to fit.
- B. Can they fit right in a different part of the body?
- C. Some parts of our body we have only one of each. Others we have more. Ask the children to name which we have one of and many parts that are the same.
- D. We need all our body parts. Would we want to have a piece of our natural body missing? Name some parts of the body and ask how it would affect us if we didn't have a hand or eyes, or a knee etc. Apply it to the body of Christ in the same way.
- E. Each of you have a special part given by God to make His body work the very best.

### Object Lesson 2: The Kingdom Puzzle

#### Point:

The puzzle only has value when all the pieces are there. No one buys a puzzle if a piece is missing. The body of Christ has it's full value when it is complete and each piece can fulfill their purpose or destiny.



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### Props:

Kingdom puzzle. To make: cover a child's hard board frame tray puzzle with a picture that represents the kingdom of God. Glue the picture and if possible put clear contact paper over it. Then take a knife and cut through the picture to make puzzle pieces. As an extra teaching, on the back of each puzzle piece write an Identity statement for the child who is using that piece will say, before they can place their piece in the frame.

### Directions:

1. Show the puzzle in tact. Ask which piece is the most important? How do the pieces get placed in the right spot? We have to put them in place. Just as God puts us in place in His Body.
2. Remove one piece. Ask how the picture looks with one part missing.
3. Allow the children to put the puzzle together, saying an identity statement or the memory verse as they each take a turn.
4. Keep the missing piece hidden to make a hole. Say this just doesn't look right. This is how our class is also when one of the children is missing.
5. Who wants to help look for the missing piece? Allow a child to find the missing piece and place it in the puzzle frame to make it complete.
6. When we pray for others, that is one way that they are brought into the body of Christ. Thus bring the pieces or people into the place where they are to be.

### Object Lesson 3: Identity Booster

#### Point:

As the children begin to list the qualities of their classmates the revelation of the value and gift each child is becomes clear. This becomes an identity builder.

1. Write each child's name on a board.
2. Ask the class to share something special such about each child. Write beside their name giftings, talents positive comments from the class.
3. As the children share, they will soon become increasing involved. Only allow things that edify. Do it for each child. When done, say each child's name out loud and read all that the class spoke concerning that child.
4. Example: Caleb is: kind, funny, a good prayer, a good friend, makes me laugh, is a good hugger, draws good. This is such an anointed lesson. By the time you are nearing the end, the children are so eager to speak the good over each other. Before your eyes you



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can see the transformation come to the children and the class as the voices declare who each child is. I believe healing is released through this lesson.

### Object lesson 4: All the Ingredients???

#### Point:

God's has a plan for His church. A recipe is a plan to make something good. If the recipe is followed success will come.

#### Props:

A recipe for something kids like such as cake, cookies, etc. Have all the ingredients assembled and ready to add to the mix plus some other things that would never be put in food (hand lotion, baby powder, cough drops, soap).

#### Directions:

1. Show the class the recipe. Have all the ingredients assembled and ready to add to the mix.
2. As you preach about each ingredient being important, decided to add some hand lotion, baby powder, cough drops, soap (just silly stuff) that the kids would not want added to the mix. Ask them why that should not go in the mix? Exactly: each thing has a purpose; just as we do in the body of Christ and God's kingdom.
3. To add to the validity of the lesson, you could label the unwanted ingredients that are not in the recipe as Lies the enemy tells us concerning our value and place in the body of Christ. Just like lies are unwanted and do not belong in God's recipe or plan for our lives.
4. Examples of lies:

You are too young to be on a prayer team.

Your prayers are not heard by God.

Jesus loves the ones that sit still in class more.

If you keep your offering to buy school lunch that will be alright.

You should be first or there won't be any left for you.

The teacher never asks you to help because you are too shy.

Your teacher likes the girls better than the boys.

Only boys are powerful enough to fight the devil.



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### Object lesson 5: What's Missing?

#### Point:

This is a seek and search type of teaching activity. As the children are asked the questions they begin to realize how different life would be if things or people were missing.

#### Directions:

1. Ask the class, What would our class be like if: These things were not in the room. Name things and remove them if from their sight. Or have the class imagine what it would be like without these things.
2. What would church be like today if some people didn't come: teacher, helper, pastor, ushers, cleaners didn't clean this week, worship team stayed home, etc.
3. What would our family be like if???
4. Show them a very short Bible story book. Read it to them. Then ask: What would this book be like if there were pages missing. Tear some pages out and throw them in the trash can. Try to read the story again.
5. Again, this reinforces the truth that each one of us is a part of the plan or story of God and His kingdom. We all have an important part to be and do all He has put in us for the plan of History to be complete.

### Object Lesson 6: Popcorn Explodes

#### Point:

Just like we all start in life like a tiny seed. Inside each seed is the potential to become so much more. It takes certain conditions to become a mature (grow) child of God.

#### Props:

A half cup of popcorn kernels; a popcorn popper, preferably one that takes oil. Small bags to send the popcorn home with the children.

#### Directions:

1. Show little seeds. Show big bowl. Put seeds in bowl. They are so small. Do these seeds fill the bowl? But when they are put in the popcorn popper, they become what they were destined to be.



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2. Put the seeds in the machine. As the children watch preach the message and ask questions. Did the seeds pop right away? No it took some time. Did only one seed pop? No.
3. Pour the popped kernels in the bowl. The seeds together filled the bowl. Wow! What started out so small grew to fill the bowl.
4. The church together will fill the earth with the glory of God. We become transformed in the presence of God. Oil (Holy Spirit) keeps us from getting stuck. He is the oil of joy, power, wisdom, comfort. The heat or fire is necessary to cause the growth process or popping of the corn seed.

### Object Lesson 7: The Flash Light

#### Point:

A flashlight is only used in certain situations, but how many are glad there are flashlights? Just like the body of Christ, some only have their purpose come forth at certain times. Also the flashlight needs all its parts to be able to work. One missing part will keep the light from shining.

#### Props:

Flashlight

#### Directions:

1. Ask the class what this is? (Hold up the flashlight.) What is it used for? When is it used? Is it useful during the day time? Is it useful to bake bread? Is it used to light candles with? (Elaborate on these if time allows.)
2. What are the parts of this flashlight? Take the parts out and talk about what each part does.
  - A. Batteries
  - B. Switch
  - C. Light bulb
  - D. The body casing
3. What if one of the parts is missing? Would the light work? So we need all the parts.
  - A. Think, if the light bulb could talk and complained and threw a temper tantrum because it never wanted to be the light bulb. No one really looks at the light bulb. They only see the whole flash light. Or do it with the batteries. Same scenario. (Be dramatic and act out the part.)



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4. Now put the pieces together properly, but put the batteries in wrong. Turn on the switch. What is wrong? I thought all the pieces were together? What looks right, sometimes is not right. There is only one way for the batteries to go in for the light to work.
5. Put the flashlight together right and show how when we all do our part the right way the whole will work.
6. At this point, if a helper is doing the illustration the teacher can conclude with the following or the helper can continue with the following points.
7. **Conclusion:** Do we ever want to do things a different way and then find out our way didn't work? Obedience to God is necessary. The body of Christ can do the same thing. Their way doesn't work right. Even children are sometimes frustrated because who they are doesn't seem that important. Do any of you ever get jealous or pout because you didn't get to do what you thought you should? God in His wisdom, knew what each of us was made for and put us right where he wanted us to fulfill His plan. Some times He is checking out our hearts to see if we will keep pure words and attitudes. Or sometimes there is something that God made for you that only you can do and we need to stop looking at what others get to do. We need to be faithful to our parents, teachers, pastor etc. and do what we know is in our heart. Let God add to us.
8. **Extra point:** The batteries need to stay charged or get recharged to keep working. Our relationship with Jesus is the same way. We grow weak, dim, etc. apart from Him. We want to be ever ready. Be a finisher as well as a starter.

### Object Lesson 8: The Difference a Day Makes

#### Point:

This demonstrates how each one of us has a choice to make every moment to serve God and do what we have committed to do.

1. A helper will teach the scripture with the children. The teacher goes out for a moment and comes in with a bathrobe on and a sale flyer (or another flyer that has many fun things to do.)
2. The teacher tells the helper she has decided she doesn't want to be a teacher today. The teacher say she wants to go to this big sale and amusement park. She just can't miss it. It is only today!
3. The helper ad libs with the teacher and reminds her she is a teacher to this class. Her decisions will affect the whole church and all these children if she chooses not to arise for God today.



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4. Reminds the teacher she has something very special to give and share. These children are counting on her. The teacher is very important in God's big plan. Doing what she wants is selfish.
5. The teacher finally "wakes up" to realize she was yielding to temptation. She repents and asks the class to forgive her.

### Object Lesson 9: The Gift IS In The Bag

#### Point:

For each of us to be a functioning part of the body of Christ, we must come out and do the work of the ministry. This is more than just functioning in our "gift".

#### Props:

Colorful gift bags. Inside each bag place a word or picture of a service, function or ministry that a child could be and do at their age or have pictures or names of different vocations such as a dad, police officer, painter, cook, ect.

#### Directions:

1. There are a number of ways you can use this. Relate to romans 12:3-21; 1 Corinthians 12.
2. Set the bags around the classroom. Seeing them will generate excitement and expectancy. Teach this lesson later in the class.
3. Tell the class that you have gifts in the bags to share with them. Those who are obedient will have a chance to open a bag later in the class.
4. As the bags are opened and the word or picture is shared, ask the class who they think of when they hear that word. Write the name on the chalkboard.
5. You or a child can then demonstrate the different ways the parts in the bag operate. use the parts in the bag in such a way that we want all the gifts. We don't want to have any of them missing or taken away.
6. Personalize the bags to fit the children in your class. That will help the children to see the value each of them has personally and in relationship to each other.

#### Alternative to Lesson:

1. Using the gifts in Romans 12:3-8, write each gift on a separate card and place each card in a pretty gift bag.





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2. As the children take turns pulling them out, give a brief teaching on each and have your child helper tape them to a volunteer. Allow the child to decide what part of the body to tape the gift card to.
3. these gifts are given by God. With the gifts comes a supernatural grace to function in the gift. We as Christians are all to minister in these giftings. But when God gives a special gifting to a believer it is like a natural function of the person because of Christ in them. It is the gift that flows because of god's special grace.
4. When the body of Christ is functioning in these gifts there is no lack.

### Object Lesson 10: Character Shows

#### Point:

Our character is not determined by the gift, but by our obedience to the Word of God. It is not what we feel we should do, but what is just and right according to the scripture and the Spirit of God. The Holy Spirit prompts us to obey the Word. When we do good we will feel good inside.

#### Directions:

1. The bags used in the previous lesson could also contain different things we do as Christians, that have nothing to do with the unique gift God gave us. One deed per bag. (See examples below)
2. Or put up a list of situations that we encounter in daily life and ministry. Ask the class which person would be best to do this deed. NOTE: the correct answer will always be the christian.
3. As the answers are given, you can assign the deed to one of the people they think should do the deed, such as the teacher, the leader, the giver (or if you are using vocational pictures such as police, nurse, judge, ect.)
4. Your point will be that we are all to "put on Christ" everyday. Our gift will make room for each of us as we do as Jesus did. He served and obeyed His Father. We do as Jesus did, not only what our gifting is.
5. Examples:
  - A. Speak kindly to your neighbor
  - B. Do what is good for others you meet.
  - C. Suffer when people speak mean of you or Jesus.
  - D. Be patient with hateful people.



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- E. Teach others Godly ways.
- F. Give to the poor.
- G. Pray for the leaders.
- H. Preach the good news.
- I. Study the Bible.
- J. Weep with those who weep.

**Alternative Teaching:** (this is especially good for younger children.) Paste the examples above on pretty cards. "Hide" them in the Bible. Tell the class that we want to look at God's word for direction of how we should live. These examples are read out loud as the children take turns searching the Word.

### **DRAMA SKIT: Pastor, Pastor, Only You Can Save the Day**

#### **Point:**

Taken from Eph 4:11-13 "It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."(NIV)

One person is not the body and can not do all the work of the ministry. They get burned out. Only Jesus is the Savior and the head of the church. Each person taking their place causes the release of the full expression of the others gifts.

#### **Parts:**

Enough for six people.

Pastor Darrell:

(kneeling in prayer for the church.) Pray out loud with a few prayers.

Debbie:

(church secretary) Pastor, I am sorry to interrupt you in your moment of prayer, BUT the greeters just called and said they would be late. Their timer went out on the oven and just as soon as Marv gets it fixed, they will be here.

Pastor:

(Standing up) Marvin needs to fix the timer now?



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Debbie:

Well, yes! He wants his roast started on time so when he comes home from service the meat will be ready to eat. So they wanted you to fill in for them. (Exits)

Pastor:

(With a disgusted look, walking toward the "door") So begins, another Sunday morning. Lord, (looking up) I pray your timer goes off to bring the body to it's full ministry. SOON!!!!!!

Loretta:

(Arriving looking disheveled, straightening her dress as she goes to shake hands.) Why, praise the Lord! Pastor Darrell, looks like greeters are late again. (Shakes her head in haughtiness and rolls her eyes)

Pastor:

(Shakes hands) Good morning Loretta. God bless you today.

Loretta:

Oh, pastor, I have a prayer request for you. Do you think you could fit it into your day? (She pulls out this extremely long paper from her purse.) You are "the Man" of prayer. No one prays like you do.

Pastor:

(Looking at the "request") Did you say prayer request? This looks more like the

Loretta:

It's not that much! Once you get started, it should only take...(counting on fingers) 7 hours!! And then when you have a minute, could you give aunt Betty, and cousin James and uncle Albert each a call. They are lonely and miss seeing you. No one makes phone calls like you do. Only you can save the day!!!!!!

Pastor:

(looking weary) Well I will do the best I can. Can't promise today for sure.



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Connie:

(comes bursting in during the conversation.) Hi, sister Loretta, Praise the Lord, pastor Darrell. Are you done, Loretta?

Loretta:

You just go right ahead, sister Connie. I gave pastor my prayer request for the day. He is such a man of faith and prayer. (Exits)

Pastor:

(shakes hands) God bless you, Connie. Are you here alone again today?

Connie:

Yea, pastor and that is just what I want to talk to you about. (Shaking your finger) That no good husband of mine is about ready to have his dinner set out at the dog house.

Pastor:

Sister Connie, Would God serve you with the dogs? Your husband is a godly man. And you are a godly woman.

Connie:

I may be but, you should have seen how he was shaving this morning for church. Then he wanted to wear his sweatshirt and baggy jeans. I told him that is no way to come to the house of the Lord. Can you imagine what God would have thought of that????

Pastor:

Connie, I can imagine!

Connie:

Well, since Jason didn't come for service, I told him I would have you over for dinner. Then while you are there you can set him straight. Can't you???

Pastor:

Dinner, well I have a previous invitation.....so that will not.....



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Connie:

(starts sobbing) Pastor, you just have to come for dinner, my life with Jason is at stake. Only you can set him straight. I **never** have any problems, it is always him. You can't let US DOWN! You WILL come? Only you can save the day....

Debbie:

(interrupts Connie carrying a plunger) Pastor, I hate to interrupt you, but the men's and ladies toilets are overflowing and this plunger isn't working.

Pastor:

(throws up hands) Praise the Lord! Now, I got leaking toilets and leaky women. What's a pastor to do! Where's Fred?

Debbie:

Well he took this Sunday off to go fishing.

Pastor:

Fishing on a day like this? He's are only toilet unclogger.

Debbie:

(Speaks as she exits).....But he'll be back. Hurry pastor!!!! Only you can save the toilets.....

Pastor:

I'll be there when I get.....

Nicole:

(runs in) Pastor, hurry the boys are out in the field having a big fight. I saw blood, dirt and spit flying.....

Pastor:

Those boys are at it again?

Nicole:

I told them I was going to tell pastor. You just got to stop them. Hurry, pastor, only you can save the day....(Runs out)



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Connie:

(looking disgusted) I'll see you at dinner, pastor. RIGHT!!! This in not a **good time** to talk. (Exits)

Pastor:

Good time!!!! When is a good time? (Looking at his watch.) The service starts in five minutes and I have toilets flooding the bathroom, blood and spit flying all over in field and.....a prayer LIST a mile long (holds it up).....two dinner invitations.....and what else.....late greeters

Debbie:

Oh, pastor, just look at this! (shows an announcement to him) The copier is messing up. You just have to fix it! We won't have enough flyers to hand out for the baptismal you are having this evening.....(exiting) Only you can save the day.....

Pastor:

It isn't going to happen. I have a sermon to preach in one minute and the greeters still are not here and.....

Tracey:

(comes in dancing) Pastor, pastor; I just wanted you to watch my special before the service.

Pastor:

Sister Tracey, I would but, I have a sermon to preach in 30 seconds....

Tracey:

This will only take 10 seconds. You still have plenty of time left. I'll just show you the end. (Do a few quick moves and stop in a cross position) It is Jesus hanging on the cross and the Father says, "Son, only You can save the day".....What do you think, pastor?

What's wrong with this picture?



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**Additional Idea:** Locate a special gift in each of the children in class. Play upon the value of each child and how special they are. How much they mean to each other and to you.

### THE CHURCH IS CHRIST'S BODY TEACHERS NOTES

READ: 1 Corinthians 12: 1 - 31

**1. The church is the creation of Christ. He builds His church.**

Matthew 16:18 "You are Peter, a stone; and upon this rock I will build my church; and all the powers of hell shall not prevail against it." (TLB)

**2. He has chosen the five fold ministry to equip His church. They are gifted from God, given as gifts to the church. Thus, bringing the gifts in the church to be realized and released.**

Ephesians 4:11-13 "And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;" (NKJ)

**3. God put members in the church according to His will and for His purpose to fulfill the vision of each local church.**

1 Corinthians 12:18 "But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be." (NIV)

**4. The church is a group of believers being built up into a living body, an example of Christ on the earth. The building is a house for the church.**

1 Corinthians 12:27 "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." (NIV)

**5. The church is under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. This body is governed by Christ and in unity with Him for the fullness of His body to be effective and productive.**



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Ephesians 1:22, 23 "And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way." (NIV)

- 6. The body is to be rightly related and joined to each other; in unity and submission one to another, therefore bearing witness of His love and the design of being interdependent with each other. All members need each other; this causing growth and value of one another.**

Ephesians 4: 13-16 "until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into 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." (NIV)

- 7. God has a purpose for bringing the body of believers together to form one church; one body, releasing His gifts.**

Acts 26:16-18 "But rise and stand on your feet; for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to make you a minister and a witness both of the things which you have seen and of the things which I will yet reveal to you. 'I will deliver you from the Jewish people, as well as from the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, 'to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.' " (NKJ)

Ephesians 2:19-22 "Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit." (NIV)

John 17:20-26 "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one: I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved





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them even as you have loved me. "Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world. "Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them."(NIV)

Rom 12:4-6 "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 who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us....." (NIV)

**Memory Verse:** Romans 12:5 "So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another." (KJV)

Ephesians 5:27 "That He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. " (NKJ)

### **8. A healthy church offers us protection, connection, acceptance, unconditional love, forgiveness, belonging, family, expression, instruction, support,**

Colossians 2:18-19 "Don't let anyone declare you lost when you refuse to worship angels, as they say you must. They have seen a vision, they say, and know you should. These proud men (though they claim to be so humble) have a very clever imagination. But they are not connected to Christ, the Head to which all of us who are his body are joined; for we are joined together by his strong sinews, and we grow only as we get our nourishment and strength from God." (TLB)

Colossians 2:19 "And not holding fast to the Head, from whom all the body, nourished and knit together by joints and ligaments, grows with the increase that is from God." (NKJ)

1 Corinthians 12:1-31 Whole Chapter

### **9. The church has diverse giftings and unique personalities. The gifts of the Father are a direct image of Him and are placed by His workmanship in each of us. All traits and characteristics are of equal value and needful to bring the fullness of God's kingdom to the earth.**



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Romans 12:3-8 "For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. 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 who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully. (NIV)

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### THE CHURCH - CHRIST'S BODY STUDY SHEET

1. What is the church according to the Bible? (Circle the correct answer.)

- A. The place where we get taught about Jesus
- B. A big building with chairs, Bibles and instruments
- C. The body of Christ

2. \_\_\_\_\_ is the head of the church and is building the church.

- A. Pastor
- B. The president
- C. Jesus Christ
- D. All God's people

3. Say the memory verse three times and fill in the blank.

Memory Verse: Romans 12:5 "So we, being many, are \_\_\_\_\_ body in Christ, and every one members one of another." (KJV)

4. On the back of this paper, draw a picture of how you see the church of Jesus Christ.

REQUIREMENTS: YOUNGER CHILDREN; QUESTIONS 1 - 4; OLDER CHILDREN; ALL

5. Do you have a favorite part of you body? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you miss a part of your body if you didn't have it? \_\_\_\_\_



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6. Read Romans 12. Which parts of the body do we need? \_\_\_\_\_

Which parts of the body can we, as a church, do without? \_\_\_\_\_

7. What are some purposes that God is building the church? (Circle answers)  
Read these verses to find the answers: Acts 26:16-18; Ephesians 2:19-22;  
John 17:20-26

To be a witness

To be a minister

To get rich

To have a big, famous church

To make God look good

To give us a place to come Sunday

To get us to give our money away

To show God's love

To be one with Jesus and each other

To be a holy temple for God's Spirit to dwell