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THE BODY OF CHRIST

A REVIEW

WEEK 1, ANATOMY
The church is not the building.
The church is the people.

WEEKS 2 AND 3, AUTONOMY
The people are parts of a body.
And every part has a purpose.

WEEK 4, GASTRONOMY
Eating meals together
is an act of worship.

WEEK 5, ECONOMY
God's economy in the church
is governed by the Law Of Love.

FOR TODAY

Ephesians 4:11-16

So Christ himself gifted the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors, and teachers to equip the church 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.

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 people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, 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.

Acts 6:1-7

In those days when their numbers were increasing, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their people were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food.

So the twelve gathered everyone together and said, "It would not be right for us to neglect our roles in order to oversee the meals. Choose seven from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them and will give our attention to prayer and teaching."

This proposal pleased the whole group. The people chose seven; Stephen, Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas. They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

And the message of God spread even more. The number of follower in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and even a large number of priests began to follow the teachings of Jesus.

FOR NOTES

WHAT CAN WE DO BETTER... TOGETHER?

Our first congregational meeting will take place on Sunday, March 12 immediately after church. Lunch will be provided.

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