



MESSAGE NOTES & DISCUSSION GUIDE
WEEK 1 – ONE BODY, MANY PARTS

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

KEY OBSERVATIONS ABOUT THE BODY OF CHRIST

- The church can only _____ through the work and power of the Holy Spirit
- God has _____ and _____ placed each part in the body
- Every member is _____ for the body of Christ to function as _____
- The church is an _____ that must care for itself

APPLICATION

- _____ your _____ and _____ in the church
- _____ in the church
- Be a _____, not a _____
- Be _____, not _____, the church

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Why do you think many churches struggle with unity?
2. What is the role of the Holy Spirit in unifying the church?
3. Why is the variety of parts necessary for your physical body to function properly? How does this truth apply to the local church?
4. Why is it important to understand the intentionality and purpose of God in putting the body of Christ together?
5. What is the difference between being a contributor instead of a consumer within the church?
6. Why is it easier to criticize than to commit to the local church?
7. How might embracing the different roles of each member of the church make it a healthier body?
8. How might God be leading you to serve in the local church?