

## Monday 8.10.2020

### 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

As followers of Christ, we are all part of the same spiritual body. Whether we are with believers that we have known our whole lives, or if we meet Christians from a very different background, we share something in common with all God's people. And this is something to celebrate! But it is also a responsibility that we all share: we are all called to take care of all parts of the body, whether we completely understand them or not, because we are all a part of that same body. Have you ever met a Christian from another country? How were you able to celebrate your common beliefs? What were some of the differences that came up?

### Tuesday 8.11.2020 Pray

Pray through John Wesley's 3 Simple Rules and ask God to help you live into them more fully in your daily life:

Do No Harm.

Do Good.

Stay in Love with God.

Which one have you connected to most closely over these past few weeks? Which one feels the most difficult during this season?

# Wednesday 8.12.2020 1 Corinthians 12:12-13

Every single believer has a place in the body of Christ, and the body is complete when each part is functioning in its proper way. This means that we need each other. Whether we realize it or not. Whether we want to or not. We need one another to thrive as the Body of Christ here on earth. So,

whenever we create divisions in the Body, we are working against what God desires for His people. Loving Jesus should never become an us-versus-them thing, because we are all called to be a part of God's one heavenly family. What are some divisions that you have seen within the church?

### Thursday 8.13.2020 1 Corinthians 12:14-20

As followers of Jesus, we are all part of the same one Body, but that does not mean that we are all the same. The body is not just and eye, but the body still needs eyes to function the way it was intended. Our one Body of Christ is made up of many parts, and each part is invaluable. When we ignore certain parts of the body or actively seek to separate certain parts from the rest of the body, we do a great deal of harm. Instead, we have to recognize and celebrate each of our unique experiences and expressions, or else we are missing the point. What is one way that you think the church could celebrate the vast diversity within the Body of Christ?

## Friday 8.14.2020 1 Corinthians 12:24b-27

God designed the body of believers to be connected, so that when one part is in need of help, the rest of the body is aware and able to respond. It is our responsibility as Christ-followers to care for all the members of the body who are in need. In this current season, there are many groups in need of care, because there are many people in our nation and in our world who are suffering. So, what can you do? How can you respond on the side of doing good and not doing harm? And how do you think our care for the entire body helps us to stay in love with God?

## Saturday 8.15.2020 Psalm 133

Read and pray this psalm today and remember the joy and blessing of connecting with the rest of God's people in Christian community.