



November 2, 2014 | Wawasee Community Bible Church | Milford, Indiana | Pastor Bob Blahnik

## **REAL BODY BUILDING**

*1 Corinthians 12:12-27*

*The Body Is...*

1. **A UNIT** (v. 12-13)

2. **MANY PARTS** (v. 14-20)

### 3. **INTERDEPENDENT** (v. 21-27)

- Mutual **DEPENDENCE** (v. 21-24a)

- Mutual **HARMONY** (v. 24b-25a)

- Mutual **CONCERN** (v. 25b-27)

**“ONE ANOTHER”**

ἄλλήλων (*allelon*)

= **NOT ALL ALONE.**

# HOMework



Open Your Group in Prayer. Use the Prayer Guide on the next page for Suggestions.

1. If you had to do without one body part and/or one sense, which would it be? How would life change for you without it? (*Maybe you've had the pain of actually experiencing this... I encourage you to share your experience of how life has changed for you with your group.*)

## Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-27.

2. Why does Paul compare the church to a body? Along the lines of Question 2, how does life for the *church* change when some parts of the body either aren't available or simply don't contribute?
3. Does a gift have to be "on display" for it to bless the rest of the body? Why or why not? Give some examples.
4. Which is more beautiful: A church where a few exercise their gifts or a church where everyone contributes? — *List all the ways your group uses its gifts to serve others. What are ways your group could serve that you're not?*

## Read 1 Corinthians 12:4-7

5. Look at verse 7. Are your spiritual gifts primarily for you? Or are they for others?
6. Pastor Josh will often speak of our serving being for Jesus' glory, others' good, and our joy. Talk about that with your group. How has exercising your gifts brought you joy?

## Read Romans 12:3-8 and 1 Peter 4:10-11

7. Both Paul and Peter say here and elsewhere that we *all* have gifts God has given us. Do you know your spiritual gift mix? Which ones do you think he has given you?
8. How can you use your gifts and abilities to serve others? How can your gifts strengthen your 1:10 Group? How can they strengthen our church?
9. **DO THIS:** *Take some time to go around your group. For each person present, what gifts, talents, and passions do you see expressed by them? How has their contribution been of benefit for your group? For our church? For you personally? Take time to affirm and encourage one another in this!*
10. What step will you take **this week** to begin using your gifts to serve? — *For Jesus' glory, others' good, and your joy!*

# PRAYER GUIDE

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2, 2014

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*During your prayer time this week, let's all be praying together about the following items.*

*Use the space at the bottom to record your personal prayer items, or requests from your 1:10 Group.*

**NOTE:** *Due to the sensitive nature of some items on the Prayer Guide, we do not publish it online. Email the church office to sign up for the email prayer list: [office@wawaseebible.com](mailto:office@wawaseebible.com)*

## Personal Prayer Items

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