



***I Need My Church & My Church Needs Me (1 Corinthians 12:12-27) - We are a body***  
January 14, 2024

### **[OWNit365 Whole Bible Plan](#)**

**Loneliness**

**2/3 are lonely – 12% admit it**

**De-churching**

**I need my church & my church needs me**

so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. **Romans 12:5 NKJV**

**Experiencing Jesus' way of living – community & connection with the church**

### **The church is Jesus' body**

For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. **1 Corinthians 12:12 NKJV**

For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and have all been made to drink into one Spirit. **1 Corinthians 12:13 NKJV**

For in fact the body is not one member but many. **1 Corinthians 12:14 NKJV**

**“The church doesn’t need me.”**

If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body,” is it therefore not of the body? **1 Corinthians 12:15 NKJV**

And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body,” is it therefore not of the body? **1 Corinthians 12:16 NKJV**

If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where would be the smelling? **1 Corinthians 12:17 NKJV**

But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased. **1 Corinthians 12:18 NKJV**

And if they were all one member, where would the body be? **1 Corinthians 12:19 NKJV**

**“I Don’t need a church.”**

But now indeed there are many members, yet one body. **1 Corinthians 12:20 NKJV**

And the eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you”; nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” **1 Corinthians 12:21 NKJV**

No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary. **1 Corinthians 12:22 NKJV**

And those members of the body which we think to be less honorable, on these we bestow greater honor; and our unrepresentable parts have greater modesty, **1 Corinthians 12:23 NKJV**

but our presentable parts have no need. But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that part which lacks it, **1 Corinthians 12:24 NKJV**

that there should be no schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another. **1 Corinthians 12:25 NKJV**

And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it. **1 Corinthians 12:26 NKJV**

Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually. **1 Corinthians 12:27 NKJV**

**This week’s [OWNit365 Whole Bible Plan:](#)**

January 15 - Gen 31-32 & Job 22

January 16 - Gen 33-35 & Job 23-24

January 17 - Gen 36-37 & Job 25-27

January 18 - Gen 38-39 & Job 28-29

January 19 - Gen 40-41 & Job 30

January 20 - Gen 42-43 & Job 31

January 21 - Reflection & Prayer

January 14

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**NURSERY**

# JESUS HELPS SICK PEOPLE

THE PARALYZED MAN



This month, we are learning about Jesus helping the sick man. We learn that Jesus helps sick people, and we can help sick people too!

**Memory Verse:** “Jesus Helps Us All.” Matthew 11:28 (Adapted for Toddlers)

**Heart of the Lesson:** Jesus Helps Sick People, Because He Loves Them

**Parent Connect:** This week, help your toddler think of someone they know who is sick. Take out the craft your toddler made and help them give that to the sick person they thought of. Help your toddler say, “I love you and Jesus loves you too!” to the person who is sick.

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# LIFE OF JESUS

THE EARLY YEARS



In this series, we will go through the life of Jesus following His birth. We will learn about the Wiseman visiting Jesus, His departure from Egypt, His return to Nazareth and His teaching at the Temple as a kid. We will also learn about Jesus’ baptism and how He was tempted, how Jesus called His disciples and His first miracle!

**Memory Verse:** “And the one who sent me is with me – he has not deserted me. For I always do what pleases Him.” - John 8:29

**Heart of the Lesson:** Say “YES” to God and “NO” to Satan’s Tricks | Matthew 3-4

**Parent Connect:** Today we learned that Jesus was tempted by Satan.. We learned that Jesus said “NO!” to Satan’s tricks. Play a game with your kid discussing good and bad situations. Let them answer ‘YES’ or ‘NO’ to each scenario. For example; “Do we look both ways before we cross the street?” “Do we yell at our friends?” “Do we say please and thank you?”

**ELEMENTARY**

# ONE TEAM

WE’RE ALL PLAYING FOR THE SAME TEAM



**ONE TEAM**

We are kicking off the year with a series called “One Team”. The church is a lot like a team. Our team needs to work together even when it’s hard, to build each other up and correct when we aren’t following God or pulling our weight. There are many different people that have unique skills and special gifts that help the team reach the ultimate goal of serving God, our coach.

**Memory Verse:** “All of you together are Christ’s body, and each of you is a part of it.” - I Corinthians 12:27

**Heart of the Lesson:** I need my team and my team needs me - 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

**Parent Connect:** Around a meal, share what you love and appreciate about each person. Then say why you need them. Then think even bigger to the church and the gifts others have that you need and how other people need your giftings.

# WE ARE THE CHURCH



In this series, we're going to talk about how the church is a unified team led by Jesus. Just like how our bodies have different parts that work together, each person in the church has special talents and jobs. Together, we'll find out how we can be a strong and connected team, all working together because we belong together and we belong to Jesus!

**Memory Verse:** “Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ’s body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other.” Romans 12:4-5

**Heart of the Lesson:** I need my church and my church needs me - 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

**Parent Connect:** Each part of the body (church) is important. What do you think your role is? Discuss as a family!

## SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

# WE ARE A BODY

What does it look like to be a healthy Church?



Did you know that God describes the church like Jesus’ body? Just like your body helps you do what you want to do, the church does what Jesus calls us to do! And just like we need to know how to take care of our body to stay healthy, we need to know how to take care of the church to stay healthy!

**Memory Verse:** So also we are many persons. But in Christ we are one body. And each part of the body belongs to all the other parts.” Romans 12:15 (NIRV)

**Heart of the Lesson:** I Need My Body and My Body Needs Me (1 Corinthians 12:12-27)

**Parents/Caregivers:**

- Why is it important that we keep our body healthy?
- Why is it important that we keep our church healthy?
- What are ways that you can make sure you are being a healthy member of the church?
- How can you make sure your friends are being healthy and loving God?