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THE ONE BODY OF CHRIST

I. WHAT CONSTITUTES THE BODY OF CHRIST?

1. It has a head, which is Christ Jesus our Lord. Eph. 5:23; Col. I:I8; Eph. I:22-23.
2. It has members which is His body. Rom. I2:4-5; I Cor. I2:I-I5. Those that have believed and obeyed the gospel of Christ. John 6:44-45; Mark I6:I5-I6; Heb. II:6; Matt. 3:2; Acts I7:30; Matt. I0:32-33; Rom. I0:8-I0; Matt. 28:I8-20; Acts 2:38; Rom. 6:I-4; Acts 8:26-39; I Pet. 3:20-21.
3. It has the Spirit of God dwelling in that one body. Rom. 8:9-II. We are also led by the Spirit of God. Rom. 8:I4. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit that we are the children of God. Rom. 8:I6-I7, and without the Spirit the body is dead. Jas. 2:26.
4. It has the blood of Christ which he shed upon the cross for that one body (the church) and gave it for them to drink in memory of Him that he might remain spiritually alive. Matt. 26:27-28; Mark I4:23-24; Luke 22:20; John 6:53-57; I Cor. II:23-33. And John said except we drink it we have no life in us. John 6:53.
5. In it is all Spiritual blessings. Eph. I:3.

II. WHAT ARE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ONE BODY, THE CHURCH?

1. It is the called out from the world.
2. It is a Spiritual body. I Pet. 2:5.
3. It is a unified body. Eph. 2:I-22. (To page 2)

4. It is a Holy Priesthood. I Pet. 2:9.

5. It is the church. Col. I:I8. The one body of Christ. Eph. I:22-23. There is but one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one Faith, one baptism, one God the Father of us all, and is in us all. Eph. 4:4-6. Paul said in Rom. 8:I-I4, "Thereis therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit"

We walk after the Spirit when we are led by the Spirit of God to do the commandments of God. Rom. 8:i4; Rev. 22:I4.
We walk after the flesh by doing the works of the flesh. Gal. 5:I9-2I.
Brethren, let us walk after the Spirit.

Your Brother in Christ.
--F. H. Logan.

5II S. Sunset Ave., Modesto, California

BRO. & SISTER ROY DABBS, Rt. #I, Aztec, N. Mex., Aug. 20.---Dear Bro. Snodefly: Must write so you can get this in the September issue of the Courier. We want to thank everyone for their help and support while we were in Los Angeles, Calif., and for all the thoughtfulness to our daughter Betty and grand-daughter Sue before Betty's heart surgery, and at the death of our beloved Betty. We shipped her body home for burial so all the brothers and sisters could be here. She passed away after surgery, but was conscious before death. We were very tired and worn out when we got home the 7th. of August. All the children were here when we got home. Donald and wife Ruth and four children of Duchesne, Utah. Also Doris Wells and six children of Colorado Springs, Colo. Carolyn and husband, Jay Bedingfield and two boys of San Antonio, Tex. Flora Ruth and husband Roger Bixler, and three children from Largo, N. Mex. Also Bro. Duane Bixler, who is in the Navy, stationed in San Diego, Calif. Our son-in-law Ray F. Thompson and grand-son Johnny and Ray Gene from Ridgecrest, Calif., and a host of other relatives and friends. Burial was August 9th. at Memory Gardens, Farmington, N. Mex. All the children are safe back home at this time. On the eve of Betty's burial, Sues girl friend, Lahoma Owens, was baptized and we are so happy about this. We also want to report the baptism of Earnest Greenstreet, while he was in Port Orchard, Wash.

He is also now stationed at San Diego. HE got to visit us while we were in Los Angeles, Calif. Bro. and Sister Elmer Hunt of Garden Grove, Calif. were so much help and consolation to us. May God bless all. --Yours in Christ.

Post-Script:--If passing our way, visit us. We have a very faithful member of the church in the hospital in Durango, Colo., Sister Bessie Thomason, who may have to undergo major surgery. We want all the faithful to remember her in their prayers. Sue and I will see her today. In Christian love, The Dabbs.

Many of the brotherhood have not heard of the death of Sister Betty Thompson of Bakersfield, Calif. We are saddened by the loss of this sister in Christ, but there comes a time in each one's life when we must meet our maker. We are consoled by the thought that she accepted Christ into her heart at an early age by obedience to the gospel, God's power to save. She was able to attend the services here at La Habra the two Lord's days prior to her entering the City of Hope Hospital, Duarte, Calif. We, here at La Habra extend our heartfelt sympathy to her family and other relatives and her friends.

IN MEMORIAM:--Betty Margaret Thompson was born May I, I929 at Somerton, Ariz. Passed from this life Aug. 4, I962 in the City of Hope Hospital, Duarte, Calif. Funeral services were held in the Cope Mortuary Chapel, Aug 9, I962, I0.00 A. M. with J. D. Corson officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens, Farmington, N. Mex.

We are glad to announce to the brotherhood of a new congregation in Phoenix, Arizona. Bro. Evan Daniels is their leader and they are meeting temporarily in his home at 6224 South 5th. Ave., Phoenix. Pay them a visit brethren if and when you may be passing their way.

HOWARD STUDER, Box 84, Lorenzo, Texas., Aug. 28, I962. Dear Bro. Snoderly: - We just want to say "Thank You" for coming to our 5th. Sunday meeting. You will never know how much we appreciated your visit. We thank everyone who came and we enjoyed their visit very much, but just wish we did not have to hold a 5th. Sunday meeting to get the brethren to visit us. We get ashamed of doing all the visiting. We really enjoy being with Christian people, and visiting them is about the only way we have of seeing and being with most of them. After the meet- here, we visited our old friends and co-workers in Christ in Olney, New Castle and California Creek, Texas and

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SAMMY BOEN, 3315 No. 49th,. Fort Smith, Ark., Aug. II-62.

Dear Bro. Snoderly:---I am enclosing a contribution from the Stillwell, Oklahoma congregation. The church here is about as usual. Bro. Perigen from Bellflower, California held a week's meeting for us closing it Aug. 5th. We really enjoyed being with the Perigens and Getting better acquainted with them. We had met them only once before. They are wonderful people. Bro. Snoderly, if you have any of those tracts, "What SAITH The Lord, Cup or Cups?" left, I8d like for you to send me one.

---Yours in Christ

We have a fairly good supply of the above tract and also the tract entitled, "The Class Question." both of which are available free for the asking.---Editor.

JAMES E. WILKERSON, Rt. #I, Cedaredge, Colorado, Aug. 8, I962---Dear Bro. Snoderly: We want to thank you for sending us the Gospel News Courier. Inclosed is a small contribution for the paper. We enjoy receiving it every month. We are meeting here in our home at the present time. Bro. and Sister Kenneth Baldwin moved to California, which left us with such a few members. Bro. and Sister Chas. Baldwin and family, Sister Allie Jones and Janice and Ronald Herbert and of course our family meet here every Lord's Day morning at I0:30. If there are anyone passing through Delta, Colorado who wishes to meet with us we would be happy to have them. We are I5 miles from Delta, at Cedaredge, Colorado. Our Phone is UL 6-370I. Bro. and Sister Earl Broadway were by to see us. We enjoyed their visit very much, just wish they could have stayed over for Lord's day services and helped us out. ---Yours in Christ.

HINDSVILLE, ARKANSAS, Rt. 2, July 30, 62. Dear Brothers ans Sisters in Christ:- Just a few lines this morning, hoping everyone of you are fine. We are getting along fine. The church here is about as usual. We have greatly enjoyed the visitors we have had here this summer. The good pleasure of Bro. and Sister Tom Broadway and children meeting with us one Lord's day. Also Tom's father and mother meeting with us for two Lord's days. We enjoyed a good lesson from the elder Bro. Broadway of the Bellflower, Calffornia congregation. We all We want to welcome eadh and everyone of you at anytime you can be with us. We are always glad to see new faces. Bro. Daniels from Stillwell, Oklahoma meets with us every fourth Lord's day. We enjoy his good lessons very much.

Also we are glad to have Bro. and Sister Atchley up this way to meet with us. We met with the Stillwell congregation about two months ago. Sure was nice to meet all the brothren and sisters there. We enjoyed it very much. We hope all will visit us as circumstances permits. Sister Jewel Laney has been on the sick list, but has improved and is able to be with us at church again. Bro. Ulysses Laney has been sick but was able to be with us last Lord's day evening. We hope to have a meeting this fall when Bro. Paul Ferguson is back in this part of the woods. We would like a week or ten day meeting then. Well I must close for now, so answer soon when you have time. ----Your friend and Brother in Christ,

----Paul Auslam.

BRO. AND SISTER USREY, 840 Bell,Ave., Del Paso Heights, California--- Dear Bro. Snoderly: I enjoy reading the the GOSPEL NEWS COURIER. My wife and I get it through the church in West Sacramento. My wife has been a member for a good many years. I was baptized into the church in September 1960 by Bro. Erwin G. Lowery. My wife is the former Inez Franklin of Goree, Texas. Her mother still lives there. We have a small group here and we are progressing in knowledge. I have just started, about three or four weeks ago, helping Bro. Lowery in giving the lessons every Lord's day. --Yoursiin Christ.

CROSBYTON, TEXAS, Aug. 2, 1962.--Bear Bro. Snoderly and all concerned. I intended to write Monday, but got

so busy I put it off. We got a rain last night, so I am writing now. I will send a little donation to help out with the paper just as you see fit. I got a letter from Bro. J. C. Spurlin today. They got home all right. Well, I have a lot more writing to do. We are all at church each Lord's day is all I can report about here at Crosbyton. With Brotherly love. ----R. H. Peel.

GRANTS PASS, OREGON, August 2, 1962---Dear Bro. Snodderly: Sorry I haven't written sooner. The congregation here at Cave Junction seems to be doing fine. We had a large crowd last Lord's day; around forty of us. Bro. and Sister Buckner and family have been attending regularly. Bro. Goddard has been here the last two Lord's days. Sister Mac and Bro. Howard McCay's son from Yakima, Washington was with us. We welcome visitors as there are so few of us here. I am giving Betty Margaret Thompson's name to our friends so they can help replace the blood she needed, along with myself and the other brethren. Our prayers and best wishes to her and all the brethren everywhere. Yours in Christ. -----Harry Wegley.

It is with gret sorrow that we inform the brotherhood of the failure of Betty's operation and her death. We want to thank each and everyone for their gifts of blood and for, their prayers. We do this on behalf of her father and mother, Bro. and Sister Roy Dabbs, of Aztec, New Mex., and her daughter Sue and others of her family. You will find her obituary in this issue of the Courier.

---Editor

YUMA, ARIZONA, Aug. 13, 1962---All are well except Sister Hughes and she is still on the sick list. Yesterday, Lord's day the twelvth, Bro. Horace Orendorff and family were at Lakeside, California. Bro. Jack Morris was in Somerton, Arizona, and we were at Tacna, Arizona. All trying to help the cause. If only the potential teaching brethren could realize the need and help they possess within their power. ADD VIRTURE? Bro. and Sister Moates are meeting with the church at Tacna now where they also have an auto-mechanic shop and tow service. The church members there are leading in prayer, singing, waiting on the Lord's table and explaining the

chapters of the New Testament. They are members with less than six months in the faith. They confine the chapter teaching to the night service. There are no older brethren out there to take the lead. Will close for now.

---Bro. Harry Dye.

205½ S. OLIVE, CARLSBAD, N. MEXICO, August 5, 1962.--Dear Bro. Snoderly: I hope you and all your family are well, also the church members there. I don't seem to have any news except that this little group were all present for worship today. I am sure some one else will send in a report on the Lorenzo meeting. I must say though, that I really enjoyed it more than I can find words to express. Sincerely yours in Christ. ----Laura E. Willis.

(Studer, continued from page 3)----- heard Bro. Paul Ferguson give some wonderful Bible lessons. We came home a few days and then went to Ringgold, Tex. and stayed two nights..We wanted to go to Loco, Okla., but I (Mrs. Studer) got so tired we came home. The Earl Howe family went over there the last night of Bro. Ferguson's meeting. It was Saturday night and Lord's day morning. We want to thank every one for the wonderful hospitality shown us. On last Wednesday the 22 of Aug., Howard and his brother in Lubbock, and I, went to Fort Worth to see a brother in the flesh as wellas in the Lord, who was sick. He underwent surgery on Friday and is doing alright. Jimmie and Jaetta Loftis are away. He is looking for work in Fort Smith, Ark., or Stillwell, Okla. We are looking for them home today or tomorrow, after their things. We will surely miss them. An uncle of our son-in-law, S. J. Wallace, passed away last week. He was Bro. Jack Wallace of Munday, Texas. He was 91 years old and had been in the hospital for nearly three months. Any one who wants to give a fifth Sunday meeting next year will have our help and co-operation if the Lord lets us live and have strength. Our sister Maud Scott is doing fine as are all the other members here.

We meet every Lord's day morning at 10.00 A. M. and at 7.00 P. M. Our meeting place is at 4th. and Monroe. Come and worship with us. Yours in the one Faith.

We appreciate very much, brethren, your loyalty to the COURIER, and your words of encouragement and financial support. Keep sending in your news reports and continue helping us to make the GOSPEL NEWS COURIER a better church newspaper. The COURIER is a non-profit venture and neither the editor nor the publisher receive nor ask for monetary renumeration for their services.--Publisher.

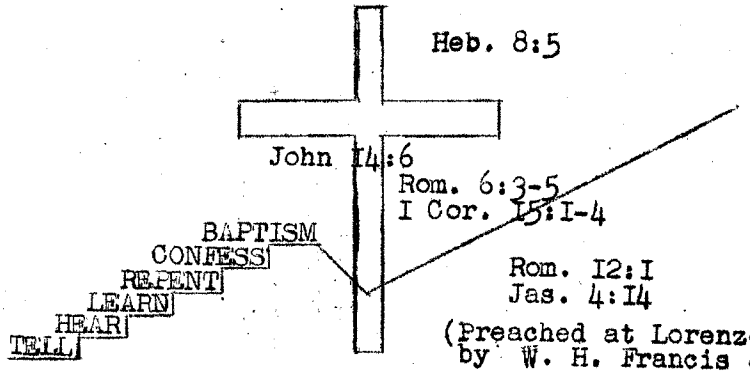
2 TIM. 3:13; MATT. 24:24. --D E C E P T I O N-- Gal. 6:7-9; I Jno. 1:6-10.

I. ITS IMPORTANCE Matt. 24:23.

1. ETERNAL DESTINY Heb. 9:27; Matt. 7:22:23.
2. SINNERS DECEIVED Matt. 5:14-16.
3. LAST STATE WORSE 2 Pet. 2:20-21.

II TO KEEP SAVED I Cor. 15:1-4.

1. BY FAITH I Pet. 1:5-9.
2. ARE THERE FEW? Lk. 13:23; Matt. 7:14.
3. CONFESSION UNNECCESSARY 2 Tim. 3:16-17.
4. KEEP GOD'S LIGHT AHEAD I Jn. 1:6-7; Psa. 119:105; Matt. 15:9.
5. NO SPOT, NO WRINKLE Eph. 5:27; Rev. 19:8.



III NO LOSS IN CHRISTIAN LIFE Prov. 15:24.

1. MAKE SURE 2 Pet. 1:10; Jno. 8:29.
2. GOD'S WAY ONLY Eccl. 12:13; Rev. 2:26.
3. JESUS ALONE I Pet. 2:21; Mtt. 28:18.
4. TAKE THE PERFECT WAY Ps. 19:7; James 1:25.
5. IS IT GOOD? I Thess. 5:21; 2 Tim. 3:16-17.

IV THEY LIE IN WAIT Eph. 4:14.

1. MAN INCAPABLE Jer. 10:23; I Cor. 4:6.
2. SATAN ALWAYS BUSY I Pet. 5:8; 2 Cor. 4:6
3. VALUE OF SOUL Mark 8:36.
4. NONE ELSE OFFERS SO MUCH Mt. 11:28-30.
5. CAN LOSE OUT OR FALL I Cor. 10:12; Rev. 2:10.

NEW LIFE

1. CHRISTIAN ONLY Acts 4:12; I Pet. 4:16.
2. TRUE WORSHIP ONLY Jno. 4:24; Jno. 17:21; I Jn. 1:6-7; Acts 20:26.
3. COME TOGETHER A MUST Heb. 10:24-25.
4. PURE LIVING OR ELSE James 1:27.

(Preached at Lorenzo, Texas July Fifth Sunday by W. H. Francis of Mangum, Okla.)