



# THE LIFE OF A JESUS FOLLOWER

## Learn to be United

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*Proverbs 27:17, 1 Corinthians 12:12-27*

### WHO GOD MADE US TO BE

- We are \_\_\_\_\_ united by Christ.
- God has uniquely equipped each of us and \_\_\_\_\_.
- God has uniquely equipped others and \_\_\_\_\_.
- God uses each of us to love, encourage, challenge, help, serve, grow, protect, hold accountable \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_.

### A CAUTION

- Not every opinion or desire is from God. Not every person is spiritually mature or equipped to address every need or situation.
- All things should be evaluated through \_\_\_\_\_, not personal preference, and should point people towards \_\_\_\_\_, not our personal agenda or gain.
- Don't rush into relationships, but \_\_\_\_\_ to start the pursuit either.
- Pray for \_\_\_\_\_ and for God to guide you to the right relationships, both to serve others and to be grown/challenged.
- Ask a pastor or leader for help

### HOW DO WE DO THIS?

- \_\_\_\_\_ (*Hebrews 10:24-5*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ your private spiritual life – fill your life with God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (*John 13:34*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ your spiritual priorities and \_\_\_\_\_ the rest of your life around them (as much as you are able in different seasons of your life)
- \_\_\_\_\_ how God has made you and use what God has given you to \_\_\_\_\_.

## Proverbs 27:17

As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

## 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

<sup>12</sup> Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. <sup>14</sup> Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

<sup>15</sup> Now if the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. <sup>16</sup> And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. <sup>17</sup> If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? <sup>18</sup> But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. <sup>19</sup> If they were all one part, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup> As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

<sup>21</sup> The eye cannot say to the hand, “I don't need you!” And the head cannot say to the feet, “I don't need you!” <sup>22</sup> On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup> and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, <sup>24</sup> while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, <sup>25</sup> so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. <sup>26</sup> If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.

<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.