I Believe In The Church I Believe (# 8)			
<pre>May 17, 2020 TEXT: Ephesians 4:1-7 and 12-16 KEY VERSE: 1 Corinthians 12:12</pre>			
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When someone	
is born again, they are born into	
a new family.	

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If you are born again, then you are a part of the Church.

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Endeavouring to keep	
the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.	
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Every member of the Church is important.

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Would the need be any greater if it were your child that was in trouble instead of the child of your brother or your sister?

Which part of	-
your body would you	
rather do without?	
None!	
We need and use each part.	
each part.	
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For the hady is not one member	٦
For the body is not one member, but many.	
(1 Corinthians 12:14)	
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References:	

1 Corinthians 12:23-24

1)	Unity	Of The	Spirit.

2) One Body Doing <u>One Thing</u>.

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4 There is one body,
and one Spirit,
even as ye are called
in one hope of your calling;
5 One Lord, one faith,
one baptism,
6 One God and Father of all,
who is above all,
and through all,
and in you all.
(Ephesians 4:4-6)

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The Church is a body, not a building.

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Now therefore ye are no more	
strangers and foreigners, but	
fellowcitizens with the saints,	
and of the household of God;	
(Ephesians 2:19)	
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References:	
Hebrews 10:25	
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Why do we gather	-
here in the building?	
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Because this is	
where the well is.	

God places wells where He wants	
His people to gather.	
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John 17:15-18 ₂₃	
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1 Peter 2:9 Romans 14:8-9 ₂₄	

We do not just go to church; we are the church.

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For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

(1 Corinthians 12:13)

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Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 2:5)

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For the perfecting of the saints,	
for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of	
the body of Christ: (Ephesians 4:12)	
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The church exists for the double purpose of	
gathering in and	
sending out (multiplying).	

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	References:	
	Acts 1:8	
	Matthew 28:18-20	
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	The only way that the	
	church can grow is for souls to be converted	
	and released from	
	their sins.	
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	Progress should be evident	
	in the life of the	
	new convert as he or she develops and grows	
	in Christ.	

References:			
Ephesians 4:31-32	34		
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- 1) Unity Of The Spirit.
- 2) One Body Doing <u>One Thing</u>.
- 3) Serving And Edifying One Another.
- 4) Increasing The Body In Love.

From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. (Ephesians 4:16)

The Lord, through His apostles, ordained spiritual authorities within the church.

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And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; (Ephesians 4:11)

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Always the work of spiritual authority is construction, not destruction.

Their aim is always to strengthen, and never to loosen, the fabric of the Church.

The Church today is more than a structure consisting of four walls, a sanctuary, and some pews.

The church is people, fellowshipping together and bound in unity by the Spirit and love of Christ.

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The church is people not a place.

Every member of the body is vital to its health.

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