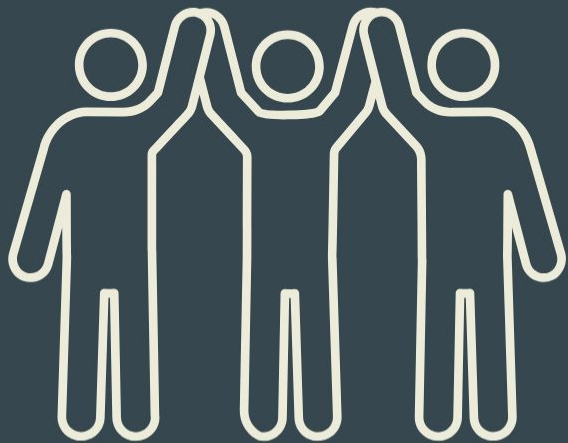


What are the most important body parts?

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THE UNIFIED BODY



1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-26

The High Priestly Prayer of Jesus

John 17:11

And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

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Discussion Questions

- Think and share about the best group project partners you've had, and also the worst ones you've had. What made them good or bad partners?
- Are there certain character traits in other people that bother you? After thinking about it, what about those character traits can you actually appreciate or see good in?
- Jesus prayed that believers would be one, just as he and God are one. What are some things that bring division to churches and groups of believers?
- What's something you feel tempted to change about yourself so you can be more like other people? What do you think God would say about that?
- Share about a time when you felt supported & loved by a community you are in.
- How can our youth group be a space that feels more unified?
- Unified community feels pains and joys together. Use this space to share some highs and lows you've been experiencing.