

When You Were Baptized
1 Corinthians 12:12-13 (15, 21-23, 25)

"Paul called as an apostle...to the CHURCH of God in Christ."
(1 Corinthians 1:1-2)

Diverse group

Unified Group

"many members...one body" (v. 12)

"By one Spirit we were all baptized into one body." (v. 13)

At a Place and Time

"Look! Water! What prevents me from being baptized?" (Acts 8:36)

"stubborn-o-meter"

In a Person

"in the Holy Spirit"

John 3:6 - "born of the Spirit"

To a People

"unto one body"

v. 15 – no self exclusion

v. 21 – no exclusion of others

"Who are you to judge the servant of another?" – Romans 14:4

2 Kings 5:13 "Had the prophet told you to do some great (hard) thing, would you not have done it?"

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¹²For even as the body is one and yet has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ. ¹³For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁵ If the foot says, "Because I am not a hand, I am not a part of the body," it is not for this reason any the less a part of the body.

²¹ And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; or again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²² On the contrary, it is much truer that the members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary; ²³ and those members of the body which we deem less honorable, on these we bestow more abundant honor, and our less presentable members become much more presentable, ²⁵ so that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another.