

1 Corinthians 12:14-20, 27-30
Universal Church or Local Churches?

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1 Corinthians 12:14 “For the body is not one member, but many.”

Q1. Is a natural body one member or many? _____

1 Corinthians 12:27 “Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.”

Q2. A local church is the spiritual _____ of Christ, with members in _____.

Is there a universal church?

Is there one body of humanity?

There is one body for each human, male or female.

Genesis 1:27 “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.”

Each local church, is one body of Christ.

Revelation 2:7 “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.”

Q3. We are to hear what the Holy Spirit says to the universal church or local churches?

1 Corinthians 16:19 “The churches of Asia salute you. Aquila and Priscilla salute you much in the Lord, with the church that is in their house.”

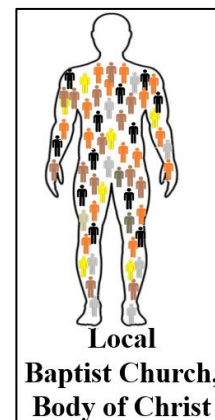
Q4. Did the universal church of Asia salute you or the local churches of Asia? _____

Q5. Also, the _____ in their house, local, saluted them.

Acts 9:31 “Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.”

Q6. The universal church or local churches had rest throughout all Judaea, Galilee, and Samaria? _____

Note: There is not a universal church as one spiritual body of Christ, but each local church is the spiritual body of Christ.



1 Corinthians 12:15 “If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?”

16 And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?”

If the whole body *were* an eye, where *were* the hearing? If the whole *were* hearing, where *were* the smelling?”

Q7. If one part of the natural body is not like another part of the natural body, is it not of the natural body? _____

1 Corinthians 12:18 “But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.”

Q8. Who designed the natural body? _____

Q9. All the different members of a natural body have a _____ purpose to _____ God.

1 Corinthians 12:28 “And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.”

Q10. All the different members of a spiritual body, the local _____, have a _____ purpose.

1 Corinthians 12:19 “And if they were all one member, where *were* the body?”

Q11. If the natural body has only one part, is it a natural body? _____

1 Corinthians 12:29 “*Are* all apostles? *are* all prophets? *are* all teachers? *are* all workers of miracles?”

30 “Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?”

Q12. In the spiritual body, the local church, do all the members have the same position? _____

1 Corinthians 12:20 “But now *are they* many members, yet but one body.

Q13. One natural body has many _____.

Romans 12:4 “For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:”

Q14. One spiritual body, the local church, has many _____ with different positions.