



## OUR LIFE IN THIS BODY

Do you not know that **YOUR BODY** is a temple of the **Holy Spirit**, Who is in you, Whom you have received from **God**? **You are not your own**; you were bought at a price. Therefore **honor God with your body**.

1 Cor 6:19-20 NIV

The very difficult lesson concerning our human life is found in “**The Living**” of **It**. We must all remember that our Life is given to us by the Will of God. Each individual that has lived, or will live, lives by God’s amazing grace. You are not your own. You were bought at a price, and Jesus paid that price on the cross. Every Christian must study and pray that God reveals to you, your purpose in this human body. Now, if this life in this body was all that we could ever hope for, then I wouldn’t spend any time talking about it. But if you’ve paid any attention to the Holy Scriptures found in God’s Book called The Bible, then you are aware that man was born as an eternal being. We will live forever. All believers must accept our responsibility for living this human part of eternal life in a dying Body. Part of that responsibility is to focus on the needs of others, first and foremost. Often we see that focus centered on the outward physical needs of those within our community of reach. Each of us have a relationship community in which we socialize and live. That community is made up of vastly different personalities - none of which are ever going to Think - Believe - Act or Live exactly like you. Yet, with all the differences, we group together and become a community. The one common denominator in this unity is Jesus Christ. It is through and by His loving leadership that we Boldly and Bodily relate to each other in our social and family community.

In looking at our life and relationships in this physical body, we must also look beyond our own desires, hopes, dreams, ambitions and beliefs. It is our responsibility to remember the important role we play in the physical, psychological and spiritual lives of others. Just as our body is not our own, neither is our personality or our love. We each have become a part of one another. Our love for each other does not simply relate to the physical. We are in a Holistic relationship with each other. To me that simply means, that we owe it to one another to respect the feelings of the other. Simply stated, none of us have the right to just give up and say - (**as I have said**) - “If I Die, It’s No Big Deal”. That statement is wrong for me or anyone else to make. It’s not just about me personally. It’s about my family. It’s about my close friends. It’s about the community in which I live. We are ONE in the bond of love. Therefore, we must fight for the life that has been granted to us. We must respect the feelings of others. We must remember that our place in the lives of others affects their whole being also. You and I are important to one another. That which hurts you, hurts me. Just because I know that the moment I close my eyes in bodily death, that I will be present with Our Lord, does not give me the right to quit fighting for life. Just like you, I have a responsibility to focus my life on living it for others.

Your Pastor Loves You

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