

THE BODY OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 12.12-30

Ephesians 4.16

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- ▶ Acts 9
- ▶ He saw Jesus!
- ▶ Scales fell from his eyes – Acts 9.18-19
- ▶ The “Body of Christ” is not just a picture, it’s a reality!

WHERE DID PAUL GET THIS FROM?

- ▶ The only foundation – 1 Cor 3.11
- ▶ The key to maturity – Col 1.28
- ▶ The door for the sheep – John 10.7
- ▶ The key to victory – Phil 4.13, Rom 8.37
- ▶ Our true identity – Col 3.3-4

THE BODY OF CHRIST IS ALL ABOUT
CHRIST

- ▶ Brother/sister relationships : the “one another” dimension
- ▶ Family relationships : we’re joined, we belong, we care
- ▶ Leader/people relationships : leadership is relational, not positional
- ▶ Pastoring/discipling relationships : we are working on training and development
- ▶ Pastor/pastor relationships : even pastors need pastors

EVERYTHING IN CHRIST IS RELATIONAL

- ▶ Independence and opinionation
- ▶ Too many orphans
- ▶ Massive unemployment

OVERCOMING THREE SCANDALS IN
THE BODY OF CHRIST

- ▶ 1. how do we work more on agreeing together, rather than differing from one another?
- ▶ 2. How can we improve family connections in our local church?
- ▶ 3. How can we help people function better in the Body of Christ, so that people understand their value?

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION