

# **"BODY LIFE AND LOVE LIFE"**

## **I CORINTHIANS 12:27-13:3**

### **I. CONCLUDING THOUGHTS ON THE NECESSITY OF EVERY MEMBER IN THE BODY (12:27-31)**

A. The Corinthian Assembly Formed A Microcosm Or A Miniature Of The Body Of Christ (12:27)

1. A Body Can Only Function In A Visible, Localized Setting
2. A Body Can Only Function As Each Member Cooperates

B. Christ As The Head Is Completely Sovereign Over His Body (12:28-31)

1. God Established The Respective Appointments As Well As The Number Of Each Member In Keeping With His Own Interest (12:28-30)
2. God Ordained That The "Way" Believers Perform Their Tasks Is More Important Than "What" They Do (12:31)

### **II. OPENING THOUGHTS ON THE NECESSITY OF THE BODY'S LOVE LIFE (13:1-3)**

A. Definition Of "Charity" (13:1)

B. Necessity Of "Charity" (13:1-3)

1. Apart From Love All Service Amounts To Nothing (13:1)
2. Apart From Love The Person Himself Is Nothing (13:2)
3. Apart From Love The Profit Received Is Nothing (13:3)