

Connected

Have you made any resolutions for this new year?

What is a successful Christian life?

- Growing to be more like Jesus. II Peter 3:18; Romans 8:29; Ephesians 4:13
- Fruitfulness. II Peter 1:8; John 15:8
- Bringing honor or glory to God. I Corinthians 10:31

How do we live a successful Christian life?

- God has promised us what we need to do so! II Peter 1:2-3
- We are to commit to doing the right thing as a result of being given these resources! II Peter 1:5-8
- This month we will uncover four “keys” to successful Christian living...

Key one... Be connected!

FACT: When we became a Christ follower, we were connected to His Body!

I Corinthians 12:12-27

- That means we automatically become a spiritual “body part” in Jesus’ Body.
- We don’t lose our distinctive individuality! I Cor. 12:7, 14-20, 27
- We do become interdependent, each of us relying on the others. I Cor. 12:21-26
 - That interdependence is illustrated by this picture... I Peter 2:4-5
- We are in God’s fellowship. I John 1:3-7
 - It is a mutual, reciprocal, association, a sharing in common.
 - It is an active commitment to one another! Acts 2:42, 44-46
 - Love one another. John 13:34-35
 - Devoted to one another. Romans 12:10
 - Honor one another. Philippians 2:2-4
 - Accept one another. Romans 15:7
 - Teach one another. Colossians 3:16
 - Submit to one another. Ephesians 5:21
 - Serve one another. Galatians 5:13
 - Carry one another’s burdens. Galatians 6:2
 - Encourage one another. I Thessalonians 4:18
 - Pray for one another. James 5:16
 - It is serving together, making a definite difference! Ephesians 4:12
 - There is a synergy, a multiplied outcome, when we serve together!
 - Leviticus 26:8; Deuteronomy 32:30; Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Will you commit to the Connection? Hebrews 10:24-25