

Lesson 6 Debt Paid In Full Teacher: Beth Seifert

Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-27. Think about all the things that have to happen simply to make a church service occur on Sunday. Someone must write out bulletins. Someone must print them. Someone must fold them. Someone must empty trash cans. Someone must put new liners in. Someone must clean the bathrooms. Someone must vacuum the floor. Someone must prepare a message. Someone must put together a worship service.

Do you consider any body part more important than another?

How do you view your own part in the body?

Do you see your role as insignificant and unnecessary or do you see your role as so integral the church relies on you to keep going?

BOTH views of yourself are incorrect. You are neither *more* nor *less* important than any other part. You *are* needed, but the church relies on only One person, and that is not any one man.

Read 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. What is God's will for you in Christ Jesus? What does that look like in your life?

Read 1 Corinthians 12:26 again. Do you rejoice when blessings come to your brothers and sisters, or do you ask "why not me?"

If we spend more time complaining about the irritants of the day than we do on thanking God for even those irritants, are we rejoicing in all circumstances?

Are you only giving thanks when God does or gives you something you really like? If so, who is the focus on, you or God?

Read 1 Corinthians 10:31. What is supposed to be our purpose in *everything* that we do?

Today, as you spend time with Him in His word, ask Him to reveal to you where you are working for your own glory, instead of for His. Accept the nudging of the Holy Spirit, take action and repent of your desire for your own glory, so that you may never hear the words "Depart from me....I don't know you" from the mouth of our Savior.