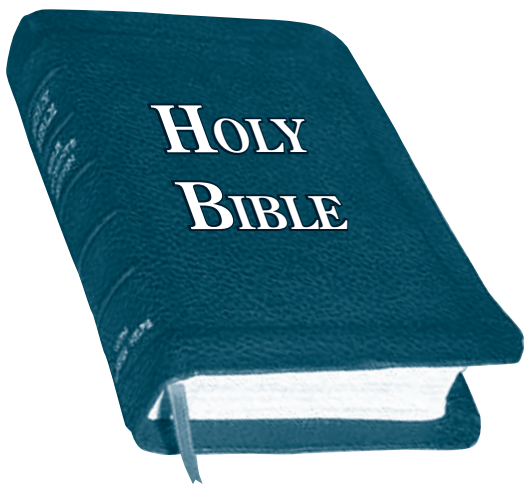




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The Bible says that we are made in the image of God.

To illustrate this I would like you to think of our bodies as an example. Everybody's body has a head, and in our head is a brain. The rest of the parts of the body are directed by the brain. So if the brain says to the rest of the body walk, we will walk. If it says run, we will run. If it says talk, we will talk. And so on. What if one of our legs says it wants to go one way, and the other leg says it wants to go the other way, what would happen? Well you have probably heard of banana splits. What if the heart said to the brain, I keep beating twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, fifty-two weeks a year, don't you think I could have some time off and have a holiday? The brain says to the heart - keep beating or we are in trouble.

Everybody is made in the image of God; we are all parts of God's body. That is how we were created in the beginning. God, Jesus, Spirit: the Trinity are at the head. God is the head of the body and he does it well. How is it with the part you have been given? Are you doing it well?

In the beginning of the world, all the parts of the body of God were doing well. There was lots of caring and love in the body of God.

Two of the parts of the body who were also doing well, were Adam and Eve. They had been told by God not to eat of the forbidden fruit, which was an apple, and if it was eaten they would surely die. Imagine what that would do to the body of God. Adam and Eve did not realise how important their part was in the body of God. And so it is with ours. We can't live outside of the body of God, and still live spiritually with the power of God. Adam and Eve made the worst decision that they had ever made in their life. By going it on their own and eating the apple, they changed the rest of the body of God for the next 2,000 years plus. Adam and Eve were now on the outside of the body of God looking in, and wished they were back.

We know that the body of God is not functioning well, because of the disobedience of us all. God's body is really suffering, but He does love us.

John 3 v 16: *“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”*

If we accept Jesus as our Saviour, we will be accepted back into the body of God, which means surrendering our lives completely back into the body of Christ. Give up all self and make Jesus your Lord and Saviour.

If you have a motor car you would be advised to take particular note of the handbook, and look at it often, for good motoring. God says that when you become a believer, God has a hand-book for you – the Bible. Your particular car has only one handbook to go by, so no other book will do. It is the same as the Bible which God had given us, is the only Book for believers, no other book will do. Jesus talks about people being religious, which is pretty general in the World, because there are many types of religions. But for the believer, there is only one true God that created the world and all nations. When we have sinned, God’s son Jesus died for us so that we can be forgiven. The Bible says that heaven and earth will pass away, and everything else that is not from the Bible. But God says that My Word, which is in the Bible, will never pass away. This is the same Word that says God created the world. The power behind this is of the Holy Spirit, and that is why it is so important to read the Bible daily. Jesus in the New

Testament asked John the Baptist to baptise him, and John said “I am not worthy”, but Jesus said “this is the way that it has to be for now”. Baptism is for the Believers, going down into the waters of Baptism, dying with Christ to sin, and coming up out of the waters, a new creature in Christ. Jesus said to his disciples and believers: “Take this bread which is my body, which is given for you in remembrance of me, and take the cup which is my blood which is given to you for the remission of sin.” Now that we have been forgiven and accepted back in to the body of Christ, we need to go out and tell others. Jesus said “On Ascension Day, go into the world and spread the Good News that there is forgiveness through Jesus.”

Luke 10 verse 27 says *“Though shalt love the Lord thy God, with all thy heart, and all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and all thy mind, and thy neighbour as thyself.”*

Who is our neighbour? Everything we think and do for ourselves, we should do likewise for our neighbour, and pray for them without ceasing. You will be blessed out of your socks. Statistics show that only 5% of the people in the world go out and tell others about the good news of Jesus.

LET US GO, GO, GO

AND NOT LET GOD DOWN.





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Go, Go, Go!

Phil. Ch.4, v13:

*I can do all things through Christ
that can strengthen me.*

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