

## A Church is the Rooted Body of Christ

<sup>12</sup> The body of Christ has many different parts, just as any other body does. <sup>13</sup> Some of us are Jews, and others are Gentiles. Some of us are slaves, and others are free. But God's Spirit baptized each of us and made us part of the body of Christ. Now we each drink from that same Spirit. <sup>14</sup> Our bodies don't have just one part. They have many parts. (1 Corinthians 12:12-14 CEV)

<sup>6</sup> Therefore, just as you received the Messiah Yeshua as Lord, keep living your life united with him. <sup>7</sup> Remain deeply rooted in him; continue being built up in him and confirmed in your trust, the way you were taught, so that you overflow in thanksgiving. (Colossians 2:6-7 CJB)

1. Everything good in your life is from the “\_\_\_\_\_” not the “\_\_\_\_\_.”

<sup>6</sup> “And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. <sup>7</sup> Let *your roots grow down* into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness. (Colossians 2:6-7 NLT)

2. Some roots become rotten and bitter being in the \_\_\_\_\_ soil.

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<sup>8</sup> Don't let anyone capture you with empty philosophies and high-sounding nonsense that come from human thinking and from the spiritual powers of this world, rather than from Christ. <sup>9</sup> For in Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body. <sup>10</sup> So you also are complete through your union with Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority. (Colossians 2:6-10 NLT)

3. Some people are not rooted in the truth even when they have \_\_\_\_\_ it.

<sup>6</sup> Some seeds fell on ground which had rocks. The seeds started to grow. But the young plants died because the ground was not wet enough in that place. <sup>13</sup> Some seeds fell on ground with rocks in it. This is like people who hear the message from God and they are very happy for a time. But they are like plants that have not grown down well into the soil. They believe in God for a short time. But when they have problems, they stop believing. (Luke 8:6,13 EASY)

4. When you join the body of Christ, and sink your roots in His living water, you start to take on \_\_\_\_\_ nature.

“Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit.... Therefore, by their fruits you will know them” (Matt. 7:17, 20)