Extreme Makeover: **Do You Know Where You Belong?**

"You're no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here, with as much right to the name Christian as anyone. God is building a home. He's using us all—irrespective of how we got here—in what he is building." Ephes. 2:19b (Mess)

Some things to know about becoming a part of God's family.

1. You were created for _____.

"The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone." Genesis 2:18a (NIV)

a. No one can fulfill God's _____ by

> "The body we're talking about is Christ's body of chosen people. Each of us finds our meaning and function as a part of his body. But as a chopped-off finger or cut-off toe we wouldn't amount to much, would we?" Romans 12:5a (Mess)

2. You are called to ______ not just _____.

a. Being a _____ means that you are _____.

"Just as there are many parts to our bodies, so it is with Christ's body." Romans 12:4 (Living)

b. For your ______ to fulfill their purpose, they must be ______ to your body.

"Just as there are many parts to our bodies, so it is with Christ's body. We are all parts of it, and it takes every one of us to make it complete, for we each have different work to do. So we belong to each other, and each needs all the others." Romans 12:4-5 (Living)

c. Not ______ to be connected is the first ______ of poor ______ health.

3. Being ______in the church family is not an ______for a Christian.

a. The church family will _____ for an _____.

"and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it." Matthew 16:18b (NLT)

b. Jesus ______ the church so much that He ______ for it.

"as Christ loved the church and gave his life for it." Ephes. 5:25b (GW)

c. God _____ us to love our _____ family as _____ does.

"Love your spiritual family." 1 Peter 2:17b (Mess)

Many Christians use the church to find ______it.

You _____ in a church family.

Get _____ today.