

# THE CHURCH

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## **1 Corinthians 12:12–14**

<sup>12</sup> Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. <sup>14</sup> Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.



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**The Body is One.**



# Considering Consumerism...



**The Body is One,  
but made up of many  
and diverse parts.**



**Don't OVERestimate  
your value to The Body.**

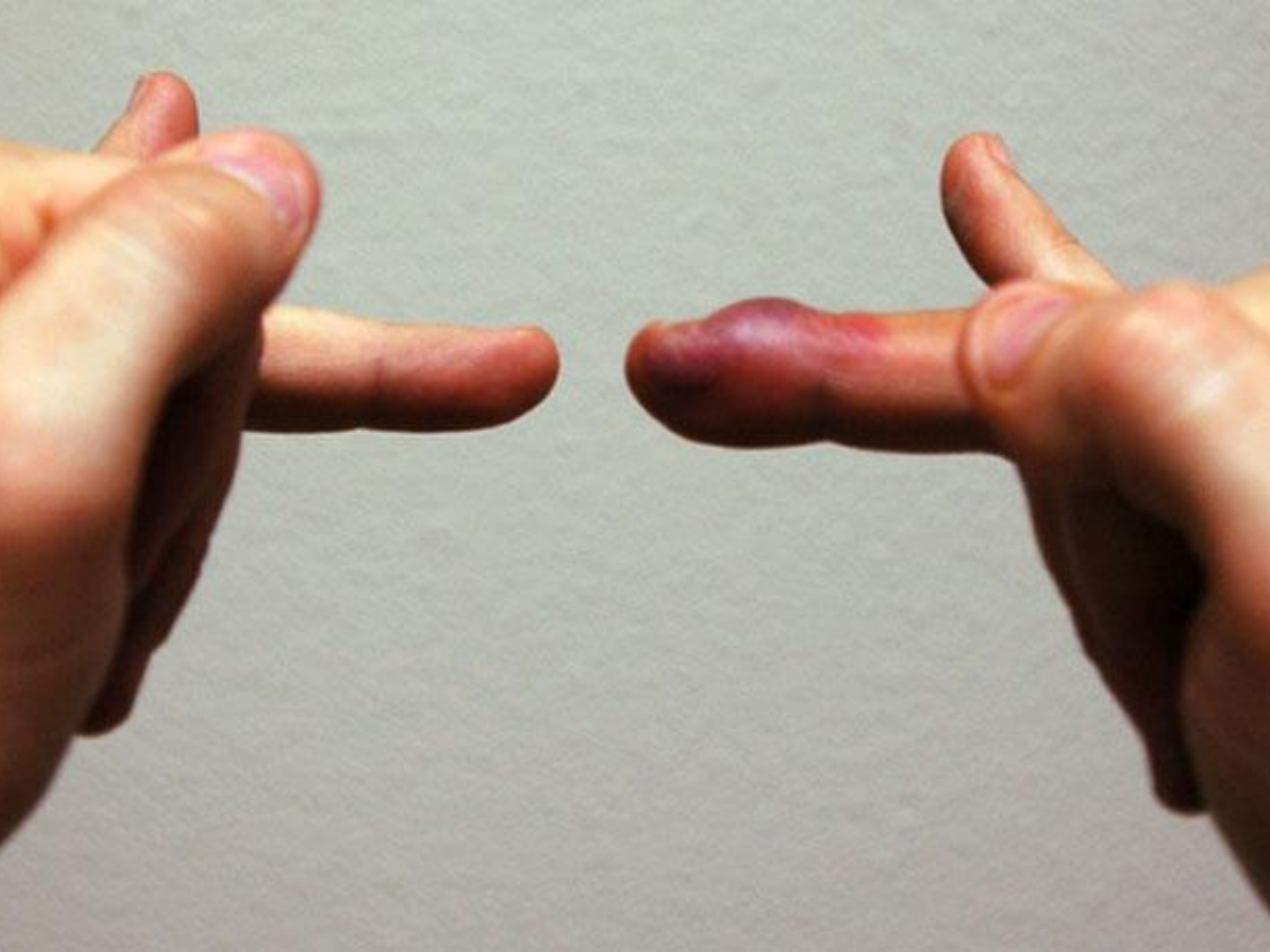






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## 1 Corinthians 12:21–24

<sup>21</sup> The eye cannot say to the hand, “I don’t need you!” And the head cannot say to the feet, “I don’t need you!” <sup>22</sup> On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup> and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, <sup>24</sup> while our presentable parts need no special treatment.



## **1 Corinthians 12:24–25**

<sup>24</sup> But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, <sup>25</sup> so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other.



1. God designed the body as a unified whole made up of diverse parts each fulfilling their roles.
2. No over or understimating your role!
3. So called weak and “vulnerable “parts” belong too.



How do you know where you fit?



**Do Body members RETIRE?**





**Do Body members VOLUNTEER?**



**You are the body of Christ, and  
each one of you is a part of it.**

