THE BODY OF CHRIST OR THE BODY OF SATAN? ARE YOU SURE WHICH YOU BELONG TO?

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Most of the church believes or accepts that the body of Christ is a reality and I Corinthians 12:27 supports this thinking.

I Corinthians 12:27

27 Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually.

We all also know that Satan counterfeits everything of God, so did you ever wonder where the body of Satan is? And also, if people make up Christ's body, then who are the people that make up the body of Satan?

I Corinthians 12:14

14 For in fact **the body** is not **one member** but **many**.

Colossians 1:27 tells us, it is Christ in us, His body, that is the hope of glory. Let me now show you some scriptures that will show us where Satan's people come from that he dwells in.

II Corinthians 13:5 is a little clue.

5 Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do

you not know yourselves, that <u>Jesus Christ is in you</u>?—<u>unless</u> indeed <u>you</u> <u>are disqualified</u>.

It's not once saved! We can be disqualified! We could lose our place in the body of Christ as well. Even the Apostle Paul tells us in I Corinthians he had to discipline his body, or he too would be <u>disqualified</u>.

I Corinthians 9:27

27 But <u>I discipline my body</u> and <u>bring it into subjection</u>, lest, when I have preached to others, <u>I myself</u> should <u>become disqualified</u>.

The point I'm trying to make is this. There are undisciplined people in church, that do not want to change who and what they are, that bring the world and its morals, or lack of, into the church. When this undisciplined type is found in leadership, their congregation is not encouraged to work at holiness, or to be shaped and molded into the body of Christ. Now let me ask this, if Christ is in His body, who do you think is in the undisciplined lawless ones? Let us look at Judas Iscariot for the answer.

John 13:26-27

26 Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it." And having dipped the bread, He gave it to <u>Judas Iscariot</u>,

the son of Simon.

27 Now after the piece of bread, **Satan entered him**. Then Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly."

There is the same class of people today. Like Judas, they walk among God's people, they look like them, pretty much sound like them, but they are betrayers and filled with Satan. They are Anti-Christ. Slyly Satan has most of the church world looking for one man to rise up as the Antichrist, but as the Word tells us, there are many Antichrists and they are among us.

I John 2:18-19

18 Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming (they were told there is only one man), even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour. (John meant to quiet this false doctrine)

Now in verse 19 we see who the Antichrist is.

19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest (as the lawless, the body of Satan or Antichrist), that none of them were of us.

So those that hear truth, but don't want to change will leave and become the

enemy. Then there are also people that are in leadership positions that promote false doctrine. As God's people eat this evil fruit, they become just like them and a whole body begins to form. On the other hand, those that love truth and will allow it to change them, will be shaped into the body of Christ. Jesus says those that love Him will keep His commandments. On the flip side, if we don't, we are the law less. I'm not talking about the law given to Moses. I'm speaking of the laws written on our hearts at Hebrews 8:10. These are to be established.

Romans 3:31 says:

31 <u>Do we then make void the law</u> through <u>faith</u>? <u>Certainly not</u>! On the contrary, <u>we establish the law</u>.

So those that do <u>not</u> love truth do <u>not</u> walk out the law and are therefore in fact the lawless.

Now Matthew 24:12 tells us:

12 And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.

Now let us turn to II Thessalonians 2:3-4.

3 Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the

<u>falling away comes first</u>, and <u>the man of sin is revealed</u>, the <u>son of perdition</u>,

4 who <u>opposes</u> and <u>exalts himself</u> above <u>all that is called God</u> or that is <u>worshiped</u>, so that <u>he</u> sits as <u>God</u> in the <u>temple of God</u> (we are the temple), showing him<u>self</u> that <u>he</u> is God.

The Holy Spirit has restrained the son of perdition or the body of Satan, Antichrist, whatever we care to refer to him as, until the great "falling away" takes place. The falling away is taking place right now as people in the church are deceived into thinking they are saved even though they are still walking in sin or lawlessness and a large body of Satan is being manifested.

II Timothy 3:13 warned of this day:

13 But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.

Galatians is very specific about how to recognize the fruit of those who fall away in chapter 5:19-21.

Galatians 5:19-21

19 Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,

- 20 idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,
- 21 envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that **those who practice such things** will **not** inherit the **kingdom of God**.

You see people that are saved, but return to their old lifestyle, "fall" from grace and become as cursed as Adam was at his fall. In the end of this church age there are unfortunately many within the church that function in these very things. They are the deceived. They walk in delusion because they chose to believe the lie, "once saved always saved", and do not change. They are a part or a member that makes up the body of the lawless one. He has been revealed. Antichrist is the body of Satan.

II Thessalonians 2:8-12 tells the whole story.

- 8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth (through truth being taught) and destroy with the brightness of His coming. (You are the light of the world He said to His disciples of the day.)
- 9 The <u>coming</u> of the <u>lawless one</u> is <u>according to the working of Satan</u>, with all power, signs, and lying wonders,
- 10 and with **all unrighteous deception** among those **who perish**, (why?)

because <u>they did not receive the love of the truth</u>, that they might be <u>saved</u>. (So not all are saved!)

11 And for <u>this reason</u> God will <u>send them strong delusion</u>, that they should <u>believe the lie</u>, (that they are in good standing with God)

12 that they <u>all may be condemned</u> who did <u>not believe the truth</u> but had <u>pleasure</u> in <u>unrighteousness</u>. (Look up the word condemned in Strongs. It means damned.)

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