

THE BODY

Introduction;

What is the body?

The physical structure of a person, the whole physical structure that forms a person or animal

What forms you outwardly!

We are physical beings as well as spiritual beings

JAMES 3:3-6

James is explaining how powerful this part of our body is called 'tongue'

The tongue has power to corrupt our entire body, and that's why we should be on high alert on our tongues

We use this part of our body for various purposes;

- Our tongue to talk (We use it to slander, to lie, deceive and gossip) This can take us to Hell
- Our brains to think (we use it to think and evil thoughts can build their homes there and corrupt to Hell)
- Our hand to touch (we use this to abuse, touch inappropriately and stealing and take us to Hell)
- Our legs to walk (we use this to go to forbidden places)

All these parts of our bodies among others can be used for both wrong and good purposes!

Purity of our entire bodies begins with purity of its parts

1. Who owns our Bodies?

1COR 6:19-20

Christ owns us and therefore we should use our bodies for the benefit of our Master

1Cor 6:12-13

Our bodies are made for the Lord and the Lord for the body!

Using our bodies for any other purposes away from what is meant for is sinful against our maker

1COR 6:12-20

We all use members of our bodies for different things

We have permission or right to do all kinds of things but not everything is beneficial to us [God gave us brains to make choices, and you can make the right or wrong choices!]

These guys were using their bodies for wrong purposes e.g sexual immorality.....!

Question

What do we use our bodies for?

For Corinthians, immorality was their sinful nature, for you and I what is our sinful nature?

If the Bible were to be written today about us, what would it addressed to us?

2. Where does sin reign?

ROM 6:12-14a

Sin reigns in our bodies and that's why we need to purify our bodies and allow pure things to reign in it

We should always offer our bodies as instruments of righteousness because we were made to glorify and worship God

Mark 7:14-23

All sins emanates from the Heart and corrupts the entire body starting with the Heart

It's the reason why we should guard our hearts above all coz it is the wellspring of life

If your heart is not under check your entire body is under risk

Check this list of sin that resides in our heart

Verse 21-22

Be warned coz nothing we do outside of bodies everything comes from within

That's why we should use members of our bodies wisely to the glory of God Almighty

Amen