

What Does It Mean to be the People of God?



If you have a pet then you know how much that pet depends on you. Pets need us to feed them, give them water and a safe place to live, and provide them with lots of love and attention. They need us to care for them!

Jesus taught his friends to care for each other in a very similar way. A man named Paul (who wrote a lot about the things that Jesus said) explained what caring for each other should look like. He said that the church was like a human body. All of the different parts of the human body have to care for one another. Our eyes need our hands, and our head needs our feet. Each part of the body is supposed to protect the other and make sure each has what they need to be healthy. That, says Paul, is how we live as one whole body.

The problem is that the world doesn't always live as one whole body because we don't always care for one another the way we should. There are a lot of people in the world that are hurt and angry because they have been treated very badly. Many have been treated mean just because of the color of their skin, or because they speak a language that is different from English. They have not been listened to and cared for. That's why it's so important for the People of God to act in a new and better way. That's why it's so important for the People of God to learn how to take better care of one another! Because that's what it means to be the People of God!



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1 Corinthians 12:25-26

Patty L. Fox

F Dm Bb F Bb F Bb C

Peo - ple of God oh the peo - ple of God, what does it mean to be peo - ple of God?

9 Dm F Bb F Dm

It means that we love the world and stand for what's right. It means that we
If one mem-ber suf - fers all suf - fer to - ge - ther. When hon - ored
It means that we live as the bo - dy of Christ. It means that we

14 F Bb C F Dm Bb F Bb

care and we try not to fight. Peo - ple of God oh the peo - ple of God, what does it
we cel - e - brate sis - ter and brother.
give so that oth - ers can thrive!

22 F Bb F

mean to be peo - ple of God?

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