

# Transformers Transformed by Music

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An Important Ingredient

## —Opening Thoughts—

If there was a recipe to being a Christian, what ingredients would we need?

Eph 1:22-23 says “And God placed all things under [Christ’s] feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.” **What does it mean to be the body of Christ?**

## —Discussion Song—“If We Are the Body” by Casting Crowns

It's crowded in worship today  
As she slips in trying to fade into the faces  
The girls' teasing laughter is carrying farther than they know  
Farther than they know

Chorus:

But if we are the body  
Why aren't His arms reaching?  
Why aren't His hands healing?  
Why aren't His words teaching?  
And if we are the body  
Why aren't His feet going?  
Why is His love not showing them there is a way?  
There is a way

A traveler is far away from home  
He sheds his coat and quietly sinks into the back row  
The weight of their judgmental glances  
Tells him that his chances are better out on the road

<Chorus>

Jesus paid much too high a price  
For us to pick and choose who should come  
And we are the body of Christ.

<Chorus>

Jesus is the way

## —Discussion

What are some of our EXCUSES for not acting like the body of Christ?

We all attend this bible study, so we certainly all understand that Christian fellowship is an important ingredient. But what about witnessing—are we being a living witness to others in all situations?

On a scale of 1-10, how important is witnessing?

1—not important, 10—very important

How often do you think you witness?

Hardly Ever, Sometimes, All the Time

How good do you think you are at witnessing?

A, B, C, D, F

ROLES: When witnessing, what is our role? What is Jesus' role? What is the Holy Spirit's role?

WHY should we witness and share in Christian fellowship?

1. Matthew 28:19-20      The Great Commission — It's our duty

2. 1 John 1:1-4      Not only is it our duty, but it brings us and others joy! We are PRIVILEGED to witness!

JOY is an abiding sense of optimism and cheerfulness based on GOD

HAPPINESS is an abiding sense of optimism and cheerfulness based on CIRCUMSTANCES

WHERE should we witness?

In what ways can we better share our faith in our daily lives? What opportunities are available to invite people into Christian fellowship that you aren't cashing in?

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Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing. To the one we are the aroma of death leading to death, and to the other the aroma of life leading to life. 2 Corinthians 2:14-16