

Steppenwolf
Born To Be Wild

Canadian–American Rock Group 1968 - 1972

**“Get your motor runnin’ Head out on the highway
Looking for adventure in whatever comes our way**

Like a true nature's child We were born,

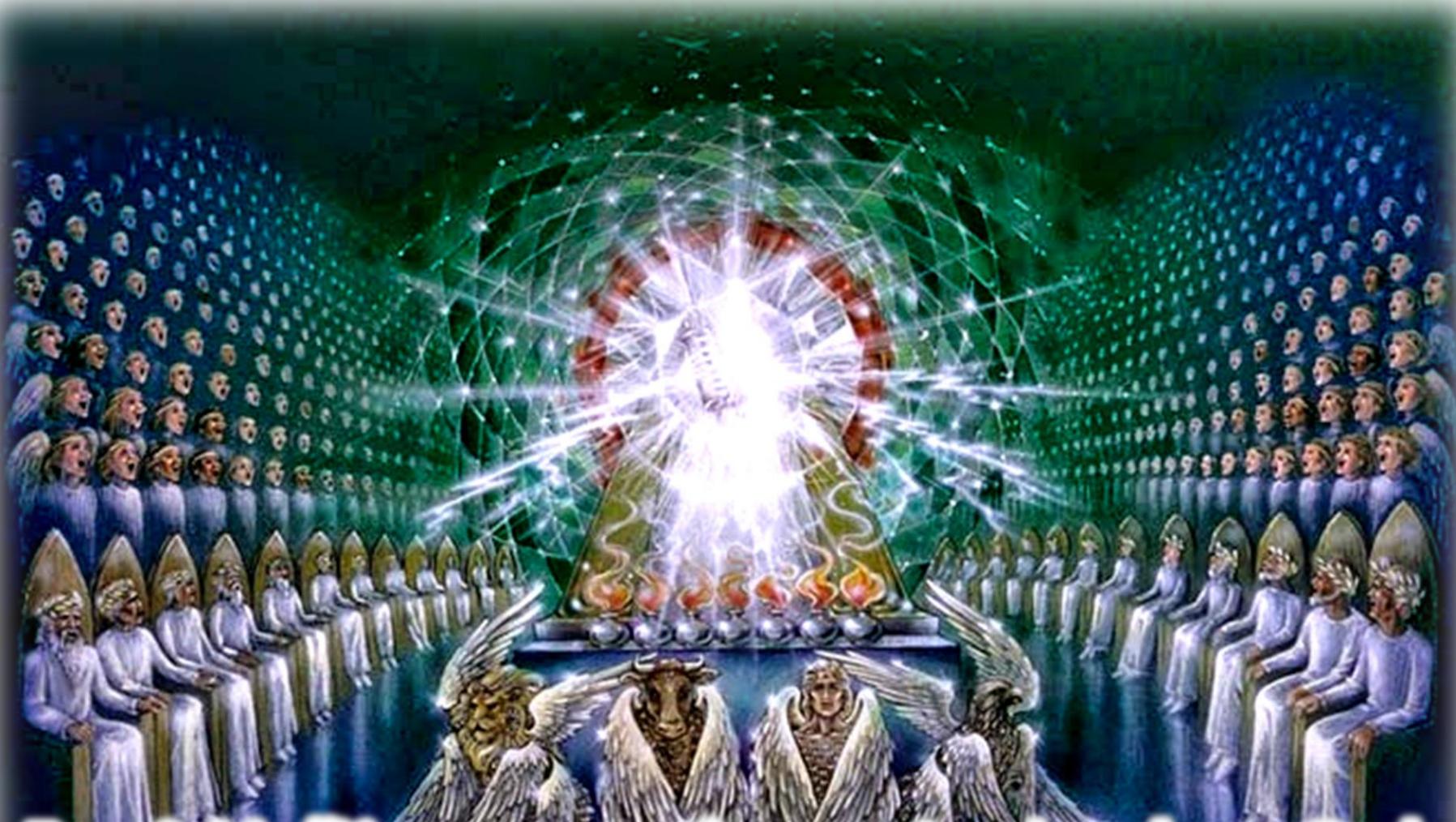
Born to be wild.”

Is That True?

1. God Had a Purpose for Your Birth



Isa 43:7 “Everyone who is called by my name, whom *I created for my glory*, whom I formed and made.”



Rev 4:11 “You are worthy, our Lord and our God,
to receive glory and honor and power; for You
created all things, and because of Your will
they existed, and were created.”



John 17:4 "I glorified Thee on the earth,
having accomplished the work
which You have given Me to do."

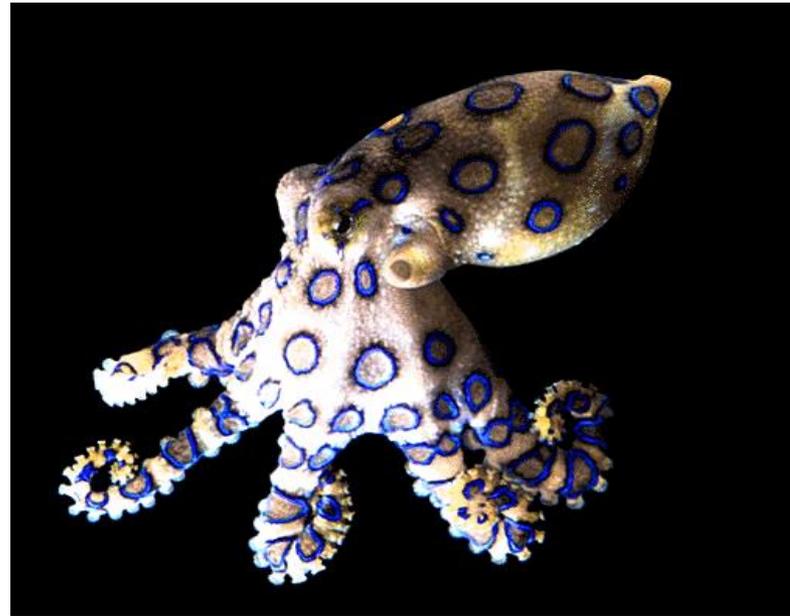


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Rom 8:29 “He also predestined to become conformed to the *image of His Son.*”

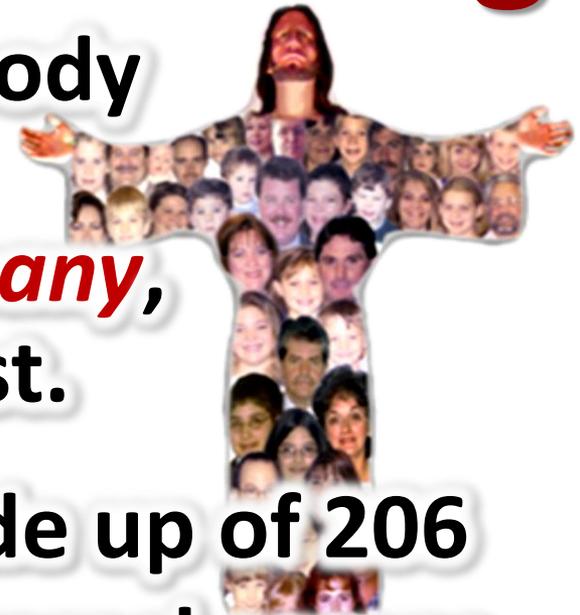
Some things Are Fairly *Solitary*



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2. We Were Born to **Belong**

1 Cor 12:12 For even as the body
is one and yet has many
members ... **though they are *many*,**
are one body, so also is Christ.



The adult **Human** body is made up of 206
bones, has 600 muscles, 22 internal organs,
12 systems and **37 trillion cells** cooperating.*

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3. Some Don't Want to **Belong** !

“Spiritual but not Religious” (SBNR) was coined by author Steve Erlandson in 2010.

2012 *Pew Report*: “20% of US citizens say they’re SBNR.” They don’t want restrictions.

Jer 6:16 “We will **Not**” Jer 44:16 “Will **Not**”

2 Pet 1:21 “Men moved by HS spoke..”

Jas 1:27 “**Religion**” = “*system of worshipping God*, including beliefs and zealous service.” (Jer 10:23)

There's Over 35 One Another Passages in the NT.

Be at Peace

Be Devoted

Give preference

Of same mind

Owe nothing

Not judge

Build up

Admonish

Greet

Wait

Care for

Serve

Bear

Be kind

Forbear

Be subject

More impt

Comfort

Encourage

Stimulate

Seek good

Confess

Pray for

Hospitable

Humble

Abound in love

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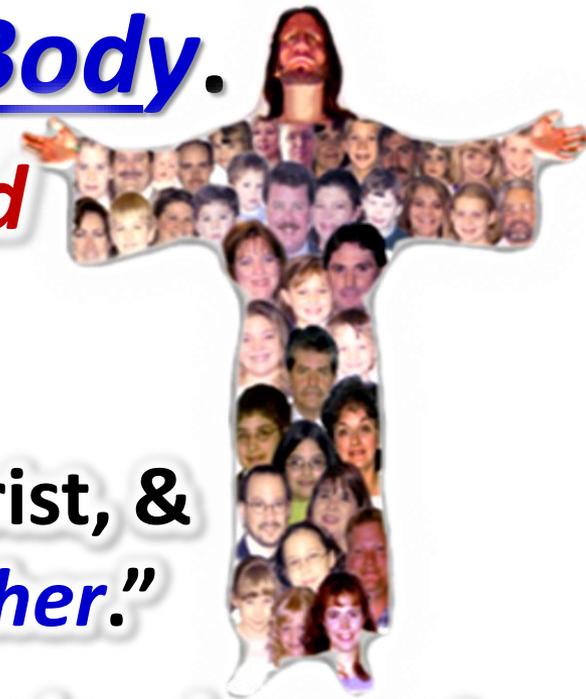
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4. We Can't Accept Christ as *Head* and not accept his *Body*.

Eph 1:22 “Gave Him to be *head* over all things to the church which is His *Body*.”

Rom 12:5 “We are one body in Christ, & *individually members one of another*.”

We're inter-connected and ask people who want to be part of the body here to express that desire.



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5. As a body we're not just an organization but an "*Organ-ism.*"



ORGANISM: defined— a form of life composed of mutually interdependent parts capable of response to stimuli, of stable self-regulation, reproduction, growth and development.

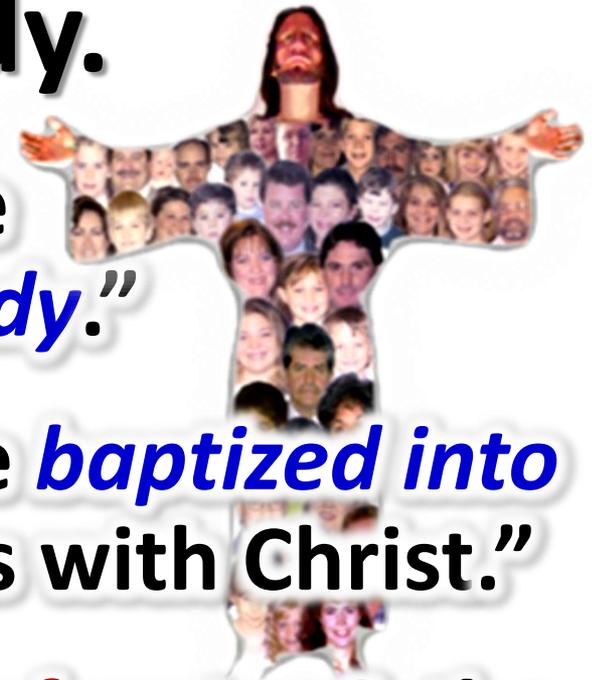
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6. We are *baptized* to become part of Christ's Body.

1 Cor 12:13 "By one *Spirit* we were all *baptized into one body.*"

Gal 3:27 "All of you who were *baptized into Christ* have clothed yourselves with Christ."

John 3:5 "Unless one is *born of water* & the *Spirit*, he cannot enter the kingdom of God."



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7. We're all Different and *Important*

1 Cor 12:15 If the foot should say, "Because I am not a *hand*, I am not a part of the body."



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7. All *Are Important...* continued

1 Cor 12:22 “The members of the body which **seem to be weaker are necessary.**”

What's more important?
Our Earshell or *Eyes*?
Our Biceps or *Brain*?
Toenails or *Thyroid*?
Hair or *Heart*?



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8. We are a *Caring* Body.

1 Cor 12:25 “Members should *have the same care for one another.*” 26 And if one member suffers, *all the members suffer with it.*”



Our Body and Christ's Body is self-Caring, self-Protecting, self-Encouraging.

(Just not perfectly) 😊 (Prov 14:10)

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9. We are a *Forward-Looking* Body.

1 Cor 12:31 “And
I show you a still
more excellent way.”

1 Thess 4:1 “Walk and please God
(just as you actually do walk),
that you may excel still more.”



Review

1. Born with a *Purpose*.
2. Born to *Belong*.
3. Not all *want* to.
4. Accept the Head- *Accept* the body.
5. Body is an *Organism*, not just organization
6. We are *baptized* INTO the body.
7. We're all *Different* & all *Important*.
8. We're a *Caring* Body.
9. We're a *Forward-looking* Body.

