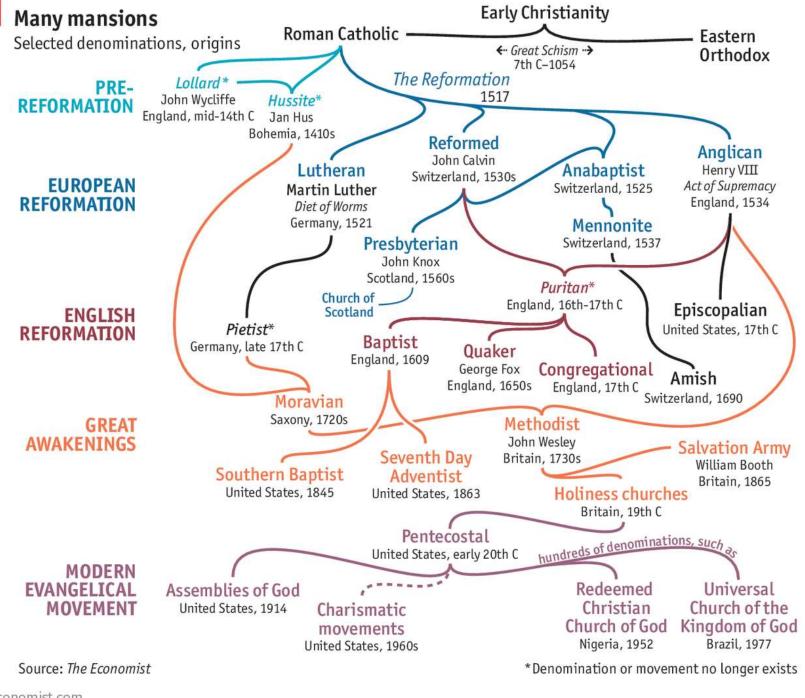
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PROTESTANT HERITAGE



A diverse body united in purpose





A diverse body...

But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

1 Corinthians 12:18-19 (ESV)

[Also Romans 12:4-8]



... united in purpose

with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the **unity of the Spirit** in the bond of peace. *Ephesians 4:2-3*

for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the **unity of the faith** and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood *Ephesians 4:12b-13a*



... united in purpose

"I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. John 17:20-23



Something worth multiplying

CHARACTER

with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love (Ephesians 4:2)

Never be wise in your own sight. (Romans 12:16c)

We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. (Romans 15:1)

Do not judge, and you will not be judged, Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. (*Luke 6:37*)

Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. (Galatians 6:1b)



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GOALS

TESTIFY TO GOD's LOVE | By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. (John 13:35)

MATURITY | Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ (*Ephesians 4:15*)

GLORIFYING GOD | that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 15:6)



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As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him—you also, like living stones, are being built into a temple of the Spirit, to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

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But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

1 Peter 2:4-5, 9-10 (ESV)

