

Wonderfully Made Series
Study #14: God's Remnant & Joints
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Joints

- Joints are also known as Articulations
- Articulation – site where two or more bones meet
- Functions of joints: 1) Give skeleton mobility 2) Hold the Skeleton together

Three Main Types of Joints:

1. Fibrous
2. Cartilaginous
3. Synovial joints

1 - Fibrous joints : connect two bones by means of elastic or collagen (high proportion of protein) connective tissue.

2 - Cartilaginous joints are permanent bone connections: A cartilaginous joint is composed of hyaline cartilage. Examples are the connection between the first, sixth and seventh rib (costa) and the breastbone (sternum).

3-Synovial joints permit a large degree of movement. This type of joint consists of at least two articular bodies. They are covered with cartilage.

The articular capsule is joined directly to the articular surfaces. It consists of two layers containing nervous fibers and blood vessels and is reinforced on the outside by strong lateral ligaments. In addition, synovia is constantly produced by the inner skin of the articular capsule, making it easier for the articular bodies to glide.

Six Main Types of Synovial Joints:

1. Ball-and-Socket Joint
2. Ellipsoidal Joint
3. Saddle Joint
4. Plane Joint
5. Hinged Joint

6. Rotary Joints

1-Ball-and-Socket Joint

The ball-and-socket joint is the joint with the greatest possibilities for movement. It consists of a spheroid head, which fits into a socket in the shape of a hollow sphere. The head can not only move in any direction, but also rotate about itself as long as the joint is not inhibited.

2-The Ellipsoidal Joint (Articulatio ellipsoidea)

The ellipsoidal joint is among the two-axis joints with two degrees of freedom. It allows movement around two axes vertical to each other. While the head has the form of an egg, the socket has the correspondingly hollowed opposite form.

3-The Saddle Joint

The saddle joint has two degrees of freedom and two main axes. It consists of two saddle-shaped joint mice, each of which has a convex curve in one axis and a concave curve in the other axis.

4-The Plane Joint

The plane joint describes a joint form with two plane joint surfaces. It has two degrees of freedom and allows them to slide past each other according to the type of these shifting joints.

5-The Hinged Joint

The hinged joint (one-axis joint) is the simplest form of the jointed connections between two bones. It only allows movement in one axis, i.e. bending (flexion) and stretching (extension) are possible.

The hinged joint consists of a head, which has an appearance similar to a roller and a socket,

6- The Rotary Joints

Among the rotary joints are the pivot joint or the conic joint. They have one axis and only one degree of freedom.

You are fearfully and wonderfully made by God. Without the various joints our movement would be very limited.

We are living at the end of time and only those who are the remnant people of God will make it.

Are you an Apostate or Remnant in these last days?

Apostate: Christian Church Apostasy is departure from Bible truth as explicitly revealed in the ministry of Jesus and His Word. Apostate Christians mix the world and the church, the holy and with the

profane, truth and error. They have departed from the pillars of truth but still claim the name and position.

Remnant: Remnant Christians are those who remain on the pillars of truth by abiding in Christ and Christ abiding in them. They have afflicted their souls before God and totally left the world and fully dedicated their lives to the service and will of God. The Word of God is not a theory, an experiment, or a profession, but practical lifestyle and experience.

During the time of Elijah, he was a remnant at a time when Israel was in great deep apostasy. The apostasy was so deep and spread out so far that he thought that he was the only one left. But God has a people who have stood the test of apostasy and remained on the pillars of God's truth when the great majority have jump into the ocean of apostasy.

What did Paul say to the church in Rome concerning this? This was the very place later that led out in apostasy!

Romans 11:1-5

- 1 I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, *of* the tribe of Benjamin.
- 2 God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith of Elias? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,
- 3 Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life.
- 4 But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself **seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to *the image of Baal.***
- 5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

Later it was the church of Rome that led out in the deep apostasy that formed the Roman Papal Church that slaughtered millions of the remnant of God's faithful.

Is remnant status based on affiliation or denomination?

Remember who is the objects of Satan's attacks in the last days

Revelation 12:17

7 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the **remnant** of her seed, which **keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.**

The commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus build the foundation of the pillars of Bible truth. The remnant are not concerned about popularity, they HOLD on and remained on the pillars of truth of God, they remain on the MT. OF TRUTH. Even though they are persecuted, taunted, or killed, they stay on the Mt. Of TRUTH! Even though in-laws kill their baby, they stay on the Mt. Of Truth!

The Remnant are true soldiers of Jesus Christ who are not afraid to fight the good fight of faith with the Word of God! They have victory over sin through Jesus, conquering and not being conquered by the devil!

Jesus describes the remnant in John 15... Here are a few excerpts.

John 15:4-8

- 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.
- 5 I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.
- 6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast *them* into the fire, and they are burned.
- 7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.
- 8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

“Abide” Menō [Greek Thayer Definition] 1) to remain

Remnant status is not based on affliction or membership in a church denomination. Many SDA believe that having their membership on that roles of the SDA church gives them automatic remnant status. NO!

What did God say to apostate Israel who taught they had automatic “remnant” status?

Zephaniah 3:1-4

- 1 Woe to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city!
- 2 She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in the LORD; she drew not near to her God.
- 3 Her princes within her *are* roaring lions; her judges *are* evening wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow.
- 4 Her prophets *are* light *and* treacherous persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law.

What does God say about the “remnant” who remain on the Mt. Of Truth, who never left God's pillars of truth?

Zephaniah 3:12-13

- 12 I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD.
- 13 The **remnant of Israel [God prevails] shall not do iniquity**, nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make *them* afraid.

What MUST the “remnant” of God's people do in the midst of great apostasy?

Jude 1:3 Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common [profane / unholy] salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort [encourage] *you* that ye should earnestly **contend for the faith** which was once delivered unto the saints.

Contend = “struggle” and fight forward against the apostasy and the resistance that Satan will bring to fight against the remnant.

The remnant of God's people holding of the light of truth are NOT cowards, they do not put their heads in the sand, they are soldiers willing to be sacrificed for truth's sake.

Do the remnant stay quiet in the midst of apostasy? What is a major qualifying factor of truly being a part of God's remnant church in the last days?

Isaiah 58:1

1 Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

“Cry” (Hebrew)

qârâ' (*kaw-raw'*) : to *call* out to (that is, properly *address* by name), preach, (make) proclaim (-ation), pronounce, publish, read. (Strong's Hebrew Definition)

Ezekiel 9:4

4 And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh [groan or mourn in grief] and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

Only the remnant who cry aloud and sigh and cry for all the abomination will receive the seal of the living God.