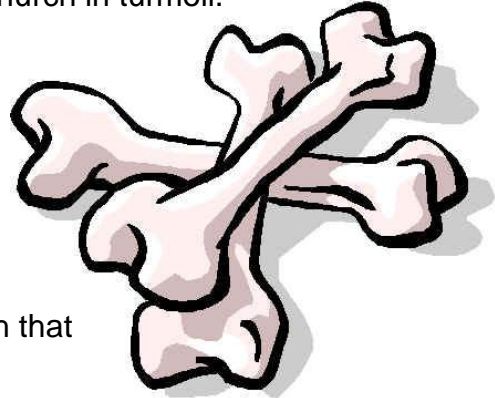


Bones in the Church

I once heard a preacher who divided his church members into five types of bones. He said they are:

1. **Wishbones** – Folks always wishing for better things, but never willing to work and pray for them.
2. **Jawbones** – The gossiping kind that keep the church in turmoil.
3. **Funnybones** – Like the bone in the elbow that throws a person into a tizzy when it is hurt. They are touchy, wear their feelings on their sleeves, and are always talking about leaving the church.
4. **Drybones** – Orthodox but dead as fossils.
5. **Backbones** – The spiritual support of the church that keeps the body standing.



While we find his descriptions humorous, there is much truth in the preacher's assessments of the makeup of his church body.

Hmm! Do you see some of these "bones" in the place where you work?

– Beecher Hunter