HOW TO GET TOGETHER

KEYS TO UNITY IN THE CHURCH  PART 2

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- (Rom 15:5 NIV) May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus.

- We Need God’s:
  - Endurance
  - Encouragement
  - Spirit of Unity
KEYS TO UNITY IN THE CHURCH

- **Unity Testifies Of Christ** – Disunity Denies Christ

- **Unity Creates The Bond Of Peace** – Disunity Destroys It

- **Unity Helps Us Carry Out God’s Plan** – Disunity Causes Us To Fail

- **Unity Brings The Anointing** – Disunity Displaces The Anointing
KEYS TO UNITY IN THE CHURCH

- We Must Have A Spirit Led Unity
- A House Divided Against Itself Cannot Stand
  - They Can’t Pray Powerfully
  - They Can’t Minister Effectively
  - They Can’t And They Won’t Go Forward
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A God Sized Vision Can’t Be Accomplished If We Are Fractured & Divided

It Can Be Done If We Are United In

- Heart – Purpose – Faith – Hope -- Love
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We Need Unity>>>

▪ For The Sake Of The Each Other
▪ So The World Sees Jesus Living In Us
▪ Because That’s What Jesus Wants
▪ Because That’s What Jesus Has Prayed
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- John 17:22–23 (NIV) 22 I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one: 23 I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

- The Power Of A United Church Would Be Beyond What We Could Comprehend

- Unity Is A Strong Force That Can Accomplish Incredible Things
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- An Enterprise Divided Against Itself Cannot Stand... Yet, Even A Wicked Enterprise Will Be Successful When They Are United With A Like Mindset

- Today The Church’s Need For Effectiveness Necessitates A Unity – Like Never Before

- 2 Chronicles 7:14 (NIV)  
  14 if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.
**Ecclesiastes 4:9–12** (NIV)  

9 Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work:  

10 If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no one to help him up!  

11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone?  

12 Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.
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We Can Live In Unity Because Of The Things We Have In Common

A Common Salvation

- Sharing in the fellowship of God’s love
- Sharing in the fellowship of a common devotional life
- Worshipping together
- Praying together
- Breaking bread together
True fellowship means sharing with those in need:

- Showing hospitality
- Sharing money and possessions
- Strengthening one another in fellowship
- Bearing with and Strengthening the weak
- Encouraging one another
- Putting the needs of others first
- Living in Harmony
- Showing equal concern for all
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- The Many Things We Have In Common:
  - Common Salvation Thru Christ
  - A Common Blessing By His Grace
  - A Common Inheritance
  - A Common Fellowship In Family
  - A Common Truth
KEYS TO UNITY IN THE CHURCH

- **UNITY = Worshipping Together**
  - Praying Together
  - Breaking Bread Together
  - Sharing Love
  - Meeting Needs
  - *Bearing With, Strengthening, & Encouraging*
  - Putting Needs Of Others In Front Of Our Own
5 THINGS WE CAN DO TO BE IN UNITY.

- **U** = Undivided In Our Message Of Christ
- **N** = Never Split Over Minor Issues.
- **I** = Intertwined Together
- **T** = Together Forever
- **Y** = Yes To Unity
KEYS TO UNITY IN THE CHURCH

- The Unity Of The Church

- The Church Is One
  Romans 12:5 (NIV) — so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

- The Church Transcends All Barriers
  Galatians 3:28 (NIV) — There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.
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The Purpose Of The Church’s Unity

To Lead Others To Faith

John 17:21 (NIV) — 21 that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

To Lead Believers To Maturity

Ephesians 4:13 (NIV) — 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.
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Where Unity Comes From:

Unity Comes From God...
(Rom 15:5 NIV) May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus,

Unity Is Dependent On Three Things In Us…
1. Effort 2. Maturity 3. Love …
(Eph 4:3 NIV) Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.
KEYS TO UNITY IN THE CHURCH

- **Unity Will Only Be In The Community That Is**
  - **U**=Undivided In The Message Of Christ
  - **N**=Never Split Over Minor Issues.
  - **I**=Intertwined Together
  - **T**=Together Forever
  - **Y**=“Yes To Unity!!”
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- People All Around The World Are Counting On Us To Be In Unity

- The People Of Our Area Desperately Need For Us To Be In Unity
We Need Unity:
- For The Sake Of The Message
- For The Sake Of Those Looking For God
- For The Sake Of The Baby Christians
- For The Sake Of The Cross
- For The Sake Of The Gospel
- For The Sake Of Each Other
- For The Sake Of Our Own Hearts
- To Defeat Pride, Anger And Unforgiveness
- To Drive Out The Fears Of Men
- So That The World Will See Jesus Living In Us

We Need Unity Forever Because That’s What Jesus Wants!!