

3 Offer your body to Θ as a living sacrifice

Don't miss BIG PICTURE! Θ is creating a global, transnational, multi-cultural beautifully diverse but unified church!



Q Church unified? Are you kidding me?

Come and see...

Beautifully Diverse but Unified Church...

① Is worked out in the local church

☰☰ To all those in Rome who are loved by Θ and called to be saints 1:7

1. "Strong" are obligated to bear w. the failings of the "weak"
2. All Christians must please his/her neighbor for his good, to build him/her up

Like Jesus did not please Himself, Ψ 69:9

How?


3. Through the endurance and encouragement that come through Scripture... Rob's Insight
4. Through the endurance and encouragement of Θ Himself ► Harmony w. one another ► Together w. one voice glorify the Θ and Father of our LORD Jesus Christ

Application What an awesome calling!

Expression of beautiful diversity in unity here!

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of Θ ! Wow WHAT A WELCOME!

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② Based in Jesus

 See how often Jesus is referred to?

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For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, 'The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me.' (3)

... to live in such harmony with one another, in accord w. Christ Jesus (5)

... one voice glorify the God and Father of our LORD Jesus Christ (6)

welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you (7)

➡➡➡ Jesus Christ is our unity! His STORY is the BIG STORY of our Scripture! "accord" = Jesus is focus of our unity! How we know Θ and are welcomed into Θ 's Family!

Invitation

"Come in" Louisa May Alcott

Come to Θ and come into Θ 's Family through Jesus. My friends story

③ Expresses itself in worship

☰☰ What did Jesus come to do?

Servant

1. confirm Θ 's promises to the circumcised
i.e. Jews
2. and in order that Gentiles might glorify Θ for His mercy

= Jew + Gentile, New Humanity,
glorifying Θ with one voice

"Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name." 15:9 > 2 Sam 22:50, Ψ 18:49

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, w. His people" Deut. 32:43

"Praise the LORD, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him." 15:11 > Psalm 117:1

"The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him ~~the~~ will the Gentiles hope" Is. 11:10

See? Easy to despise the worship of the church in Rome in Paul's Day + Θ Redeemer today... But See, in our worship Scripture coming true!