



PSALM 133:1-3

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- David in describing essence of unity among brethren, he metaphorically used the dew that falls on mount Hermon to emphasize what God can do when we His people are united. The blessing of God is truly guaranteed as unity is upheld. Singleness of heart and purpose would further allow God to anchor us as a group.
- If brethren are to dwell together in unity, they must be receiving the ointment from the Head, the refreshing showers from the true Hermon. They must live in the very presence of Christ, so that all their points and angles may be molded off, all their selfishness judged and subdued, all their peculiar notions set aside, all their cues and crotchets flung to the winds. Thus, there will be largeness of heart, breadth of mind, and depth of sympathy. Thus, we shall learn to bear and forbear. It will not then be loving those who think with us and feel with us as to some pet theory or other. It will be loving and embracing “all who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.”
- When God’s people come together as a team to achieve a common goal, their unified effort brings divine power and world-transforming moves of God to the earth! Doctrine, culture, language, and creeds will never bring unity to the Church. But when we become single-focused, working together as a team to win the world to Jesus Christ, that is when genuine *unity* will come to the Church. And unity is such a powerful force.

WHY WORK TOGETHER?

- Working together brings about God's presence and His power demonstrated
- **Unity opens the heavens for divine visitation** (Acts 2:1–4)
The disciples were united in one accord before the Holy Spirit descended.
- Working together speeds up the plan of God to reach the whole world He died for.
- Unity allows believers to accomplish great things together and releases supernatural grace. Ephesians 4: 15-16.



WHY WORK TOGETHER?

- When the people of God are united in heart, mind, and purpose, nothing can stop them. (Genesis 11:1-7)
- Unity multiplies strength and causes the oil of anointing to flow without resistance. (Psalm 133:2)

Unity brings corporate anointing and multiplication (Leviticus 26:8)

One shall chase a thousand, but unity causes exponential results. Deuteronomy 32:30

THE DANGER OF ISOLATION

- Isolation is the state of being separated from others; it can be spiritual, physical or emotional. It is a condition where an individual decided to set him/herself apart from others, often resulting in loneliness and despair.
- **Note:** Isolation is not God's design for His children. Gen. 2:18
- The leading cause of isolation are fear of the unknown, sin, pride or misunderstanding.
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- **Isolation hinders spiritual growth:** We need regular fellowship with other believers to grow our faith. However, when we isolate ourselves, it robs us of the opportunity to learn from others, to be encouraged, and to be held accountable. Heb. 10: 24-25
- Isolation makes us vulnerable to temptations. When we isolate ourselves, we are more likely to give in to sinful desires. 1 Corinth. 10:13

THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT WORKING TOGETHER

- **Division scatters and weakens the people of God** (Mark 3:24–25)
No house divided against itself can stand or fulfil divine purpose.
- **Disunity invites confusion and delays progress** (Genesis 11:7–8)
When unity broke at Babel, their mission was scattered.
- **Strife quenches the Spirit and hinders the flow of grace** (James 3:16)
Where there are envy and strife, there is every evil work.
- **Offences and unforgiveness break the bond of unity** (Matthew 18:21–22)
Unity is preserved through love, humility, and quick forgiveness.

UNITED WE STAND

- **UNITY REVEALS THE CHARACTER OF GOD**
- **God is a God of unity and order** (1 Corinthians 14:33)
The Trinity operates in perfect unity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. 1 John 5:7
- **Unity among believers reflects Christ to the world** (John 17:21)
When the Church is united, the world sees a true image of Jesus.
- **Unity produces peace and mutual edification** (Romans 14:19)
It allows the body to grow and build itself in love.
- **Unity brings strength and stability** (Ecclesiastes 4:9–12)
Two are better than one—unity strengthens and sustains.



THE ORIGIN OF HOUSE FELLOWSHIP: ACTS 2: 42-47

- House fellowship originated from the early church, where the apostles organized a system of communion in home cells for the purpose of teaching the word of God, fellowship with one another, and breaking bread together.
- They also meet to pray, worship, study the scriptures, and to share thing in common. They were of one mind, one purpose, they ate together with gladness and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. The lord added to their numbers daily those that were saved.
- Fellowship is the relationship we have with one another based on our relationship with Christ.
- In research conducted in 1999, it was discovered that Christian spiritual growth and understanding of the scriptures and personal relationship with God with fostered by those who belong to and regularly attend a cell group or house fellowship.

THE ORIGIN OF HOUSE FELLOWSHIP

- House fellowship is found to enhance Christian growth among young believers in their faith walk with Christ, as well as love for one another without getting lost in the crowd in a church or congregational setting.
- House fellowship is an integral part and a major influence on a Christian conduct while fellowshiping with other believers. It helps believers grow in their moral values while maintaining ethical standards.