



COME TOGETHER

Matthew 5:6, 9 NLT

God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will be satisfied.
God blesses those who work for peace, for they will be called the children of God.

Colossians 3:12-14 NLT

Since God chose you to be the holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 NLT

Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.

1. Come together – **Hey! Let's talk.**
 - a. Disunity comes when we are **rejected, unheard, or uninvited.**
 - b. Love **listens.**

2. Overcome differences – **We're more alike than I thought.**
 - a. Disunity comes when we **criticize or mock** another for their differences.
 - b. Love is not boastful or rude. Love **honors and bows.**

3. Find common ground – **Bite your tongue.**
 - a. Disunity comes when we argue over **non-essentials.**
 - b. Love does not **demand** its own way.

4. Rally around common goals – **We are better together.**
 - a. Disunity comes when we **push our own agenda** or preferences.
 - b. Love never gives up, never loses faith, **is always hopeful.**