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“The Lord always provides me with life changing ideas. Not that I am special. The Lord provides everyone with life changing ideas. These ideas are quite literally a treasure from the Almighty. It is up to **each of us** however, to choose and dig for the treasure.”

**George Washington Carver**







**God delights when we unite.**

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# Ephesians 4:1-3

<sup>1</sup> Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, <sup>2</sup> with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, <sup>3</sup> being diligent to **preserve the unity of the Spirit** in the bond of peace.

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**Your faith was not meant  
to be lived alone.**

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# Ephesians 4:4-7

<sup>4</sup> *There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling;* <sup>5</sup> *one Lord, one faith, one baptism,* <sup>6</sup> *one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.* <sup>7</sup> But to **each one of us** grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.

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**We are contributors not consumers.**

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# Ephesians 4:11-13

<sup>11</sup> And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> for the **equipping of the saints for the work of service**, to the building up of the body of Christ; <sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.

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- **Ministry**: [diakonian] - a service given to someone that started as a command.

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**Don't confuse your position in the church  
with the ministry God has given you.**

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# 2 Corinthians 4:7

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves;

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**All ministry is important because we are  
honored to do what we were made to do.**

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# Ephesians 4:14-16

<sup>14</sup> As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; <sup>15</sup> but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all *aspects* into Him who is the head, *even* Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to **the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.**

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Jordan River

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Ein Gedi

Dead Sea

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