

THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM

PART II

INTO THE BIBLE

“...Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you.”

John 17:1 NIV

“I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.”

John 17:11 NIV

“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, 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.”

John 17:20-21 NIV

“I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.”

John 17:22-23 NIV

“Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.”

James 5:16 NLT

“For if you embrace the truth, it will release more freedom into your lives.”

John 8:32 TPT

SERMON TAKEAWAYS

INFECTION ELECTION

- 1. We Can Disagree Politically And Love Unconditionally**
- 2. You Can Vote And Not Vilify**

WHAT CAN I DO?

- 1. Pray For Oneness (Unity) // Make Us One So We Can Reach Many**
- 2. Love Someone Unconditionally With Whom You Disagree Politically**

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. On a scale of 1 to 10, how interested are you in politics?*
- 2. What do you look forward to most—and dread most—about presidential election years?*
- 3. Outside of your workplace, think of the people you interact with most. What percentage of those people think pretty much the same way as you politically?*
- 4. In all honesty, which of these describes you best? Why do you say that? A). I evaluate my politics through the filter of my faith. Or, B). I create a version of faith that supports my politics.*
- 5. Read John 17:20–23, where Jesus offers a prayer for future believers. What stands out to you? In verse 23, Jesus prays for unity. How would you define “unity”? According to Jesus’s prayer, why is unity so important?*
- 6. When it comes to politics and moving toward unity, what’s a next step for you?*



PRAYER FOCUS

This week, pray for oneness and unity in your circles, but especially among believers. Be unified that Jesus is the hope for all mankind. Look for opportunities that you can offer unconditional love to people that you disagree with.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WEEKENDER!!! - Feb 28-29 @ the Mocksville Campus

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