

2 Sam 5:1-3

*"Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and spoke, saying,
"Indeed we are your bone and your flesh.*

²Also, in time past, when Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel out and brought them in; and the Lord said to you, 'You shall shepherd My people Israel, and be ruler over Israel.'

³Therefore all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord.

And they anointed David king over Israel. (his 3rd anointing)

Ps 133

*Vs 1 "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is
For brethren to dwell together in unity!*

*Vs 2 It is like the precious oil upon the head,
Running down on the beard,
The beard of Aaron,
Running down on the edge of his garments.*

*Vs 3 It is like the dew of Hermon,
Descending upon the mountains of Zion;
For there the LORD commanded the blessing—
Life forevermore.*

David was a uniter not a divider

Not man appointed leadership, not self-appointed leadership.

--It will be God appointed and anointed leadership.

--It will be recognized by the elders.

"The Lord said to you "You shall shepherd My people Israel and be ruler over Israel."

He is a uniter not a divider

Divine government and divinely appointed and promoted leadership preceded unity which brought a 'coming down' or a 'descending' which preceded the commanded blessing of the Lord.

"If you know any competent men among them, then make them chief shepherds over my livestock"

---Competent men become appointed men and promoted shepherds!

---Not by their own doing Not from the east, not from the west, or the south.

God appointed and promoted.

1 Tim 5:22 *"Never be in a hurry about appointing a church leader,*

Never be in a hurry about appointing a church leader"

"Do not exalt yourself in the presence of the king,

And do not stand in the place of the great;

For it is better that he say to you,

"Come up here,"

Than that you should be put lower in the presence of the prince,

Whom your eyes have seen." Proverbs 25:6

"He is out of his mind." Mark 3:21

"Not even his brothers believed in him." John 7:5

John 17:11 *“Holy Father, keep through Your name, those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are.*

Jn 17:21 *“that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.*

Eph 4:3 *“Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace.”*

All faced rejection by their own brothers but out of rejection, they were uniters, not dividers.

Advancement: comes from God, not from man or earthly status.

4 things in coming up through the ranks to leadership

Character: *God tests and builds your character in small tasks before trusting you with greater responsibilities.*

Timing: *Delays are often preparations; God opens doors at the exact right moment when you are ready.*

Faithful: *Do your daily work with honesty and excellence, even when no one is watching.*

Humility: *Keep a pure heart and avoid bitter or jealous thoughts about the success of others. Trust the Process: Rest in this truth that no person or obstacle can block the path God has designed for you.*

Acts 1:15 *“Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples (altogether the number of names was about a hundred and twenty), and said*

This of Judas who betrayed Jesus.

for he was numbered with us and obtained a part in this ministry.

He was numbered among the 12 complete and divine government.

Acts 1:13 *And when they had entered, they went up into the upper room where they were staying:*

Acts 1:14 *“These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.*

Acts 1:20-26 *‘Let another take his [office.]’ Peter now speaks...*

²¹ *“Therefore, of these men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,*

²² *beginning from the baptism of John to that day when He was taken up from us, one of these must become a witness with us of His resurrection.”*

²³ *And they proposed two: Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias.*

²⁴ *And they prayed and said, “You, O Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which of these two You have chosen (and God answered there prayer)*

²⁵ *to take part in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.”*

²⁶ *And they cast their lots, and the lot fell on Matthias. And he was numbered with the eleven apostles.*

Pro 16:33 *“The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the LORD.”*

Pro 18:18 *“Casting lots causes contentions to cease and keeps the mighty apart.”*

There are now 12 Apostles, Divine government in one accord, in unity,
And then from Above, the commanded blessing of the Holy Spirit is poured out on them.

THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME DOWN...FROM THE HEAD TO THE BODY

Following divine appointed government and unity.

It was the manifested presence of God

2 Chron 7:1 *“When Solomon had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the temple*

In the next two verses of Ps 133 we see Two Metaphors

That can describe the manifest presence of God

Vs 2 Unity is like the precious oil upon the head,
Running down on the beard, The beard of Aaron, *Type of Christ*
Running down on the edge of his garments.

2 Cor 2:15 *“For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.”*

Ps 133:3 Unity is like the dew of Hermon, Descending upon the mountains of Zion;”

3x in Scripture God commands His blessing

Ps 133: 3b *“For there the LORD commanded the blessing— Life forevermore.*
(Blessing on our worship)

Lev 25:21 *“Then I will command My blessing on you in the sixth year, and it will bring forth produce enough for three years.” (Blessing on the Harvest)*

Deut 28:8 *“The LORD will command the blessing on you in your storehouses and in all to which you set your hand, and He will bless you in the land which the LORD your God is giving you.”*

