

(Ephesians 4:1-6) Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, **being diligent to keep (maintain) the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.** There is one body and one Spirit, just as you also were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.

UNITY starts with a PERSON, includes a PEOPLE with a PLAN, and culminates with a PURPOSE.

What we _____ shapes how we _____.

1. We believe in the _____ of God.

(Psalm 115:1-3) Not to us, Lord, not to us, But to Your name give glory, Because of Your mercy, because of Your truth. Why should the nations say, "Where, then, is their God?" But our God is in the heavens; He does whatever He pleases.

(Colossians 1:16) For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones, or dominions, or rulers, or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him.

2. We believe in the _____ of scripture.

(2 Timothy 3:16-17) All Scripture is inspired by God and beneficial for teaching, for rebuke, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man or woman of God may be fully capable, equipped for every good work.

3. We believe that salvation is found in _____.

(John 14:6) Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me."

4. We believe that at salvation, I am _____.

(2 Corinthians 5:17) When anyone becomes a Christian, he becomes a new person inside. The old passes away, a new life has begun.

- **Condemnation - _____ of God**

(John 3:36) "The one who believes in the Son has eternal life; but the one who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him."

- **Redemption – _____ of God**

(Ephesians 1:7-8a) In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our wrongdoings, according to the riches of His grace which He lavished on us.

- **Sanctification – _____ of God**

(John 17:15-17) "I am not asking You to take them out of the world, but to keep them away from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth."

- **Glorification – _____ of God**

(1 Corinthians 10:31-33) Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all things for the glory of God. Do not offend Jews or Greeks, or the church of God; just as I also please everyone in all things, not seeking my own benefit but the benefit of the many, so that they may be saved.

5. We believe, that as a follower of Christ, I now live according to the _____ and no longer according to the flesh.

(Galatians 5:16-17) But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the desire of the flesh is against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, in order to keep you from doing whatever you want.

Our attitude toward the unity that we _____ shapes our actions toward the unity that we _____.

(Ephesians 4:7;11-13) But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift And He gave some as apostles, some as prophets, some as evangelists, some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the building up of the body of Christ; **until we all attain to the unity of the faith...**

(2 Corinthians 5:18-20) Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation... Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

ACTION STEP: God use me, in the ministry of reconciliation through the power of _____.