

I. We Are Committed To Unity (1-3)

A. We embrace a costly commitment (1) - “I therefore, the prisoner for the Lord...” Paul, as the example, forfeited all for the Gospel

B. We embrace an intense commitment (2) - “...with all humility {lowered mind} and gentleness {gentle manner}, with patience {patient attitude}, bearing with one another {patient actions} in love...”

C. We embrace an ongoing commitment (3) - “...eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.”

II. We Are Destined For Unity (4)

A. Reacquire this lost concept (4a) - “There is one body...”

**Man sees Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, and Pentecostal. God simply sees His children.
Psalm 119:63 - “I am a companion of all who fear You, of those who keep your precepts.”**

B. Remain in this eternal bond (4b) - “..and one Spirit...”

Every Christian, every church, every creed, every country - still there has only ever been one Holy Spirit.

C. Rejoice in this shared hope (4c) - “...just as you {plural} were called to the one hope {singular} that belongs to your call {singular}.”

Despite all of our preferences and differences, we share the singular hope and calling of being with Christ forever!

III. We Are Effective Through Unity (5-6)

A. He has given us one authority (5a) - “One Lord...”

B. He has given us solidarity (5b) - “...one faith, one baptism...”

C. He has given one paternity (6a) - “One God and Father of all...”

D. He is offering one priority (6b) - “...who is over all and through all and in all.”