

**Opening passage: John 13:3-17**

**I. Initiation - Getting started together**

- A. Accept one another (**Romans 15:7**) - “Therefore, welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.”
- B. Clothe yourselves in humility toward one another (**1 Peter 5:5**) - “Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”
- C. Prefer one another (**Philippians 2:3**) - “Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourself.”
- D. Prioritize oneness with one another (**Mark 9:50**) - “Be at peace with one another.”  
**Romans 12:18** - “If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.”

**II. Edification - Building up one another**

- A. Encourage and build up one another (**1 Thessalonians 5:11**) - “Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.”
- B. Serve one another (**Galatians 5:13**) - “For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.”
- C. Motivate one another (**Hebrews 10:24-25**) - “And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another...”
- D. Cultivate the same big-picture with one another (**Romans 12:16, 15:5**) - “Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight...May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

**III. Continuation - When conflict arises**

- A. Gently, patiently tolerate one another (**Ephesians 4:2**) - “...with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love.”
- B. Remain open to one another (**Ephesians 4:32, Colossians 3:13**) - “Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another...bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other...”
- C. Don’t complain against one another (**James 4:11, 5:9**) - “Do not speak evil against one another, brothers.”
- D. Give preference to one another in honor (**Romans 12:10**) - “...outdo one another in showing honor.” **Put it on display**