Spirit Empowered Church A Unified Church Pastor Beck Payne July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Scripture: John 17:9-23 (ESV)

The perfect example of unity is found within the Godhead.

When we are unified in a biblical and eternal purpose, we are reflecting the very image and nature of God!

A God-given vision is powerful. But, it becomes transformational for generations to come whenever a people grab hold of that vision and are unified in order to see it become realized.

When we are unified we have the greatest potential to see Godgiven dreams come true, vision fulfilled, and a mission accomplished.

Scripture: Numbers 13: 25-33; 14:1-10; 20-24 (ESV)

Five Barriers to Unity:

1. Complaining

Scriptures: Numbers 11:1; Philippians 2:14-15 (ESV)

2. Gossip

Scriptures: Proverbs 16:28; Proverbs 20:19; Proverbs 17:4; Proverbs 6:16-19 (ESV)

3. Fear

Numbers 13:27-33 (ESV)

4. Unbelief

Numbers 13:27-31; Numbers 14:24 (ESV)

5. Multiple Visions

Scriptures: I. Corinthians 1:10-16; I. Corinthians 3:1-9 (ESV)

When there is "unity in the community" we have the greatest opportunity:

- to tap into our God-given potential
- to see progress
- to experience power

Acts 2:1-4

- to penetrate darkness
- to see promises realized

Scriptures: Joshua 1:10-18; Acts 2:41-47 (ESV)

The decision you and I make as to whether or not we are going to be a unified people will have generational consequences and blessings.

Scriptures: Numbers 14:20-22; Numbers 14:24; Joshua 14:6-15 (ESV)

John 17:11