

BECOMING WHO YOU ARE

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Series: "Becoming Who You Are - Part 1 of 8

Message: "Be United"

Text: Ephesians 4:1-16

Big idea

Unity in our church will release our spiritual gifts to lead others to mature in their faith.

How to be united

1. Watch our _____ (v.2).

*Humble = not thinking less of yourself but thinking of yourself less

*Gentle = power under control

*Patient = long tempered

2. Realize unity is _____ (v.3).

*The effort is ours

*The unity is the Spirit's

*The bond of peace is the cross

3. Dedicate ourselves to _____ (vs.4-6).

7 spiritual realities that form the foundation of our unity

*One body = whatever hurts them hurts me

*One Spirit = it is better to resolve the conflict than to dissolve the relationship

*One hope = we are going to spend eternity together

*One Lord = Jesus thought about us both as He died on the cross

*One faith = we agree on the most important things

*One baptism = we are marked by God as believers

*One God = we are both creative expressions of a loving God

4. Serve others with the _____ God has given us (vs.11-12).

The result of being united

_____ is the result of unity.

1. A united church moves people from _____ (v.14).

*Immature disciples are controlled by circumstances

*Immature disciples fall for new ideas

*Immature disciples are influenced by deceitful people

2. A united church helps people _____ in their faith (v.15).

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- ☐ Memorize Ephesians 4:3
- ☐ Are you living in unity with others? If not, who do you need to reach out to for reconciliation?
- ☐ Are you engaged in helping people mature in their faith? If not, where can you serve?
- ☐ Read Ephesians 4:17-32 for the message next week
- ☐ Trust and follow Jesus today

We exist to help people trust and follow Jesus.

