

# Deborah's Song

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## PSALM 133

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for the brethren to dwell together in unity” – this is the Scripture’s praise of life together under the Word. But now we can rightly interpret the words “in unity” and say, “for brethren to dwell together through Christ.” For Jesus Christ alone is our unity. He is our peace.” Through him alone [do] we have access to one another, joy in one another, and fellowship with one another”

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer, “Life Together”

Before we start examining Psalm 133. Let’s take a peak and remind ourselves who we are as gentile believers in Christ and who Jesus is. The following passage acts a mental ‘background’ or a ‘back drop’ to the rest of today’s message. The let’s quickly review 1Peter 2:4-2:25 (NIV).

We, as Believers in Jesus Christ, are:

Vs. 5 compared to \_\_\_\_\_; that make a \_\_\_\_\_ house “to be a \_\_\_\_\_ priesthood”

Vs. 9 a Chosen \_\_\_\_\_; \*Greek for ‘chosen’ “Eklektos’ favorite, elect. A \_\_\_\_\_, a people \_\_\_\_\_ to God, a \_\_\_\_\_ Nation, side note: Our job/purpose is to declare being called out of the darkness

Vs. 10 a \_\_\_\_\_ of God; who received mercy

Vs. 11 \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ stranger to the world; we are to \_\_\_\_\_ godly lives

Vs. 25 described as \_\_\_\_\_ (1Peter 5:2, John 10:1-18, Luke 15:3-7, Ezekiel 34)



Jesus is:

Vs. 4 the Living \_\_\_\_\_ rejected by man but chosen (‘ekletos’) by God and \_\_\_\_\_ to God.

Vs. 7 a \_\_\_\_\_ stone

Vs. 25 a \_\_\_\_\_ and an \_\_\_\_\_ “of your souls”

# Psalm 133

## A song of ascents. Of David.

- 1 How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!
- 2 It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.
- 3 It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.

The Dew of Hermon and Mount Zion signifies:

The Oil Saturation in this passage signifies:

**Consecration:** The action of making or declaring something sacred.

**Sanctification:** The action of making or declaring something holy. The action/process of being freed from sin or purified, the action of causing something to be or seem morally right or acceptable.

“Christian community is like the Christian's sanctification. It is a gift of God which we cannot claim. Only God knows the real state of our fellowship of our sanctification. What may appear weak and trifling to us may be great and glorious to God. Just as the Christian should not be constantly feeling his spiritual pulse, so, too the Christian community has not been given to us by God for us to be constantly taking its temperature. The more thankfully we daily receive what is given to us, the surely and steadily will fellowship increase and grow from day to day as God pleases.”

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## Notes on John 17 - The standard of unity