Welcome Everyone... this is A New Day! Divisions all around...

- In Politics, News and the World
- In Church among Christians



This message will remind us of God's heart, showing us how to be united against divisions.

1 Corinthians 1:10

Here's what we know from scripture about divisions:

Matthew 12:25 Any kingdom that fights against itself is reduced to ruins.

And any family or community splintered by strife will fall apart.

Luke 12:51-53 The Message of Christ will cause divisions, not peace.

Matthew 13:24-30 The parable of the Wheat/Weeds: Satan will sow divisions in Christ's the field of God's kingdom. It's God's job to sort it out in the final judgement.

So what can you do to be united against divisions?

- **1. Love God!** (vs 10) For the sake of the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.
 - 1 Corinthians 1:13
- **2. Love Others!** (vs 10) Agree to live in unity with one another and put to rest any division that attempts to tear you apart. Be restored as one united body living in perfect harmony.

Colossians 3:12-14

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

3. Love God's Mission

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1 Corinthians 1:10 I <u>urge you, my brothers and sisters</u>, for the sake of the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to agree to live in unity with one another and put to rest any division that attempts to tear you apart. Be restored as one united body living in perfect harmony. Form a consistent choreography among yourselves, having a common perspective with shared values.

Colossians 3:12-14

You are always and dearly loved by God! So robe yourself with virtues of God, since you have been divinely chosen to be holy. Be merciful as you endeavor to understand others, and be compassionate, showing kindness toward all. Be gentle and humble, unoffendable in your patience with others. Lovingly endure the weaknesses of those in the family of faith, forgiving one another in the same way you have been graciously forgiven by Jesus Christ. If you find fault with someone, release this same gift of forgiveness to them. For love is supreme and must flow through each of these virtues. Love becomes the mark of true maturity.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Love is large and patiently endures mistreatment. Love is gentle and consistently kind to all. It refuses to boil with jealously when blessing comes to someone else. Love does not brag about one's achievements nor inflate its own importance. Love does not traffic in shame and disrespect, nor selfishly seek its own honor. Love is not easily irritated, overly sensitive or quick to take offense. Love joyfully celebrates what is true and finds no delight in injustice. Love is a safe place of shelter, for it never looses faith or stops believing the best for others. Love never takes failure as defeat, for it never gives up. Love never, not even once, fails.

