



UNITY
IN A FRACTURED
WORLD

JOHN 17:20-23

Ephesians 4:1–6

“As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called;

Ephesians 4:1–6

one Lord, one faith, one baptism; 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.”

1. Walk Worthy of Your Calling

a.) The way we treat one another in the Church, either Honors or Dishonors the Calling we have received

**“Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.”
Ephesians 4:2**

**b.) Humility...Gentleness... Patience...
Bearing with One Another in Love.**

2. Be Eager to Maintain the Unity of the Spirit (v.3)

**“Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.”
Ephesians 4:3**

a.) “Make Every Effort” - Urgency

b.) “The Unity of the Spirit” - He Creates It

c.) “Through the Bond of Peace” -
The Ligament

- **Resolve: Unity is too Precious to Handle Carelessly.**

- **When we Guard Unity, the Holy Spirit has room to Move Freely Among Us.**

3. Remember Our Sevenfold Oneness

a.) One Body... One Spirit... One Hope...
One Lord... One Faith...One Baptism...
One God and Father of all.

b.) When we remember our Sevenfold Oneness, Criticism gets Quieter, and Worship gets Louder.

Application:

- Communion is the clearest picture of unity: one bread, one body, one cup, one people.

1 Corinthians 10:17

Application:

- Two simple heart-steps while holding the bread and cup:

1. Forgive and Release Those the Spirit brings to mind.

Application:

- Two simple heart-steps while holding the bread and cup:

2. Step Into the Power of Agreement:

(Matthew 18:19–20).