

Text: Ephesians 4:1-7
Topics: Christian Life, Unity
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Christian Unity

I. Unity Starts Within (1-3)

My calling to Christ requires surrender for the sake of Christian unity.

II. Unity Seen Above (4-6)

Unity in the Person and work of God demonstrates the importance of unity.

III. Unity Shown Among (7)

The grace I have from Christ is for building unity in the midst our diversity!

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.*

1. Have you experienced wonderful unity, or awful division, in a church? What happened?

2. Read Ephesians 4:1-3. Paul is urging his readers how to "walk worthy of the calling with which you have been called." How would you explain what this "walk" means? See also 4:17, 5:2, 8, 15.

In verse 2 Paul gives three character qualities of this walk. Give a brief description of each.

What kinds of circumstances show you that you need God's help to have these qualities?

In verses 2-3 Paul identifies two priorities for relationship with others in the church. What are they?

Give examples of when you needed to do each one and what happened.

3. Read Ephesians 4:4-6. How is the importance of Christian unity shown?

What are some examples of lack of Christian unity that you've seen? Why does this happen?

Is division/separation always bad? Explain.

4. Read Ephesians 4:7. What does grace mean in this verse?

What does this verse say about grace?

Paul goes on in verses 11-16 to explain the purpose of giving grace to every Christian. What is the purpose?

5. In what way(s) are you helping build Christian unity in the church?