

Small-Group Notes

Unity | Week 4 United Church

We want to pray often for unity. The church is to be diverse but not divided. One of the most common themes of the New Testament is unity. Most of the epistles are written to address division, bring truth with clarity, and bring unity. How do we in the church who are from different backgrounds, races, and cultures find unity in Jesus?

CONVERSATION STARTERS

- For those of you fasting from social media, do you think you will go back after your fast?
- What is something you have learned from someone in the church who is different from you?

SERMON NOTES REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

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GROUP DISCUSSION

1. What is something you can say to encourage someone in the group today?
2. Chad said this week, "We will never be perfect, but we can be healthy." What does this mean to you? How can we apply that to the church?
3. In your life, where have you been focused on your preferences rather than focused on God's purpose for you?
4. Chad shared the "Pride of Lions" picture this week, which displayed unity. What other images or events have you seen or been a part of that show unity, focus, and moving forward together? How can we relate this to the church?
5. Read **1 Corinthians 1:10**. What does it mean to live in harmony with one another (to be of one mind in thought and purpose)? Why must we apply this letter written to the ancient church in Corinth to the church today in 2020?
6. Chad stated unity is not about our feelings. What can we do to build each other up even if we don't agree with each other?
7. Where in your life have you been carrying buckets of gasoline rather than buckets of water? How can you change that this week?

PRAYER

Pray for unity in the church and that we can all see Jesus in each other. Pray we would all understand God's grace and be on one mind, one spirit, and one purpose. Pray we may build each other up and that our preferences would not distract us from the purpose of Jesus and the church.