

The Witness of Oneness

A Community of Peace	[battle for unity]	Going Deeper—Living it Out	Describe how unity and peace are connected.
			Why is unity so difficult to experience?
	[unity] Originates in God Ephesians 2.22		Explain how unity originates in God.
	We don't-		
	We can't-		Describe the difference between creating unity and maintaining unity. Why is it significant that we are called to maintain unity vs. creating unity?
	Centered		
	[putting it together] Committed Galatians 2.20		What are some things we try to have as the focus of our unity? How well do they work? Explain.
	Ephesians 4.1-2		What is the impact of our unity being focused on a person rather than ideas or movements, etc.?
	Character Romans 12.3		
	Ephesians 4.2 Philippians 2.3-4		Why is it so easy for us to let living a life of love for Christ become secondary to other things? How does this create problems?

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	What if?		Why is it so difficult to respect and pursue diversity? Describe the benefits of respecting and pursuing diversity?
	Harmony 1 Peter 3.8		
	Undivided Galatians 3.26-29		
	Freedom Philippians 3.15		
	Durable Ephesians 5.25		How does pursuing the maintenance of the unity that God has provided through Christ create the what if's?
	Witness John 17.21-23		
	[big questions]		What gets in the way of your pursuit of unity? What will you do about it?
	Am I pursuing and experiencing a sense of unity with those around me?		
	What might be keeping me from pursuing and experiencing unity?		
Where is my pursuit of unity focused?			
[next step]			
What will you do today, by God's grace to cultivate, maintain and demonstrate unity in your marriage, family, workplace or here at Living Hope?			
		<p style="text-align: center;">MEMORIZE THIS!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ephesians 4.2-3 (NIV)</p>	