

The Keys to our Unity

Ephesians 4:1-6

I. Introduction

II. The Urgent Call to Unity v. 1

- A. Paul begins to apply the doctrinal truths of the first half of the letter. (Eph. 3:1, Eph. 4-6, John 16:33)**

- B. Walk worthy of your high calling. v. 1b (Eph. 5:2, 5:14; Rom. 12:1; Phil. 1:27; 2 Tim. 1:9; John 15:16)**

III. The Characteristics of Our Unity vv. 2-3

- A. Are you known for being humble and gentle? v. 2a (Phil. 2:3, 6-8; Is. 57:15; James 4:6; Num. 12:3)**

- B. Do you demonstrate patience and love toward one another? v. 2b (Lk.9:41, Col. 3:12-13, 1 Cor. 13:4-5)**

- C. Make every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit. v. 3 (Eph. 2:14, 15, 17; Col. 3:14; 1 Cor. 13:11; Matt. 18:23f)**

IV. The Doctrinal Basis of Our Unity vv. 4-6

- A. There is only one body of believers. v. 4 (Eph. 2:13-16, 2:19-22; Jn 17:21)**

- B. One Spirit. v. 4 (Eph. 1:14, 4:30)**

- C. One hope of your calling. v. 1, 4 (Eph. 1:7, 1 Pet. 1:3-5)**

- D. One Lord. v. 5 (Eph. 1:22, Phil. 2:10-11, 1 Cor. 2:8)**

- E. One faith. v. 5 (1 Tim. 1:4, 19)**

- F. One baptism. v. 5 (Rom. 6:4)**

- G. One God and Father who is over all. v. 6 (Eph. 3:15)**

V. Conclusion / Application