KEEP THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT

Ephesians 4:1-16

Key Verse: 4:3

1. How did Paul urge the Ephesian believers to live (1)? What virtues characterize a life worthy of one’s calling (2)? Why should we practice them in Christian community?

2. Read verse 3.[[1]](#footnote-1) How can we keep the unity of the Spirit? What are the foundations of Christian unity (4-6)? What can we learn about the Triune God regarding unity?

3. Who provides grace to each believer (7)? How did Christ obtain the authority to distribute gifts of grace (8-10; Php 2:6-11)?

4. What did Christ give his church, and for what purpose (11-12a)? What is the ultimate goal which all Christians should reach together (12b-13)? What is the significance of building up the body of Christ?

5. What contrast does Paul make between Christian infants and the mature (14-15)? Why is it important to speak the truth in love in the church (Ro 12:9; 1 Cor 13:6)? How does the metaphor of head and body explain church growth to maturity (16)?

1. In Greek, verse 3 is a continuation of the previous sentence and could read in English, “…love, making every effort….” Therefore, keeping the unity of the Spirit is a part of a life worthy of one’s calling [↑](#footnote-ref-1)