

The Path to Unity
1 Corinthians 1:10-17

- Christian unity is not a call to <u>uniformity</u> but to relational harmony through <u>love</u> and <u>faithfulness</u> to Jesus.
- Christian unity is hindered when we exalt humanity.
- The path to unity is through <u>humble sub-</u> <u>mission</u> to Jesus as the head.

"Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love."

Memory Verse for 2021

"that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 3:11–14

Scripture to Pray

1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 24-25

"...For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit. For the body does not consist of one member but of many ... But God so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, that there may be no division in the body ..."

From the Resources

"It is this truth that Paul wanted to get across to the Corinthians, because they were guilty of glorying in men (1 Cor. 3:21). If we glory in men-even goldy men like Peter and Paul and Apollos-we are robbing God of the glory that He alone deserves. It was this sinful attitude of pride that was helping to cause division in the church."

- Warren Wiersbe Be Wise