In Christ: Unity Through Humility

Living "in Christ" is living in the anointing and power of the Holy Spirit. As Life Song Church, we together are one in Christ. If each of us live in Christ, then there should be no problem with us as a group being one in Christ. The final prayer Jesus prayed right before He was arrested at Gethsemane was for all of His believers to be together as one, just as He and His Father are one, and together we are one in Christ and God. As "one" Jesus gives us His glory! Jesus said we are "made perfect as one," and in this state of "perfection" the world will know that God sent His Son Jesus, and that God is love. Jesus prayed for the same love that His Father had for Him would be in us (Jn 17:20-26).

Perfect: Strong's #5048 teleioo; to complete, accomplish, consummate, consecrate, finish, fulfil.

Complete means there is nothing lacking, **accomplish-fulfil** meaning everything that needed to be done is done.

Consummate means extremely skilled to the highest degree and to make a marriage complete by intercourse.

Consecrate means to declare sacred and holy being set apart for a divine purpose.

The Church, the Bride of Christ was birthed 2,000 years ago, and now she has fully matured as she is becoming "One" with her Bridegroom Jesus Yeshuah. He is coming back for a Bride without spot, wrinkle or blemish, and the only way this happens is when His Church becomes "One," through His love.

Eph 5:26,27 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. The Church in her greatest glory is about to be presented to Jesus, walking in the "Fresh Oil" anointing.

Eph 4:13 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; The Church is about to step into the "fullness of Christ."

1 John 3:2-3 Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. 3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure. It is up to us to purify our hearts and not blame our issues on someone else.

Rom 8:18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. The greater glory is about to come upon His Church.

Before the rapture and the return of Jesus, His Church will be "One" releasing the greatest glory of God the world has ever seen! The Church will reflect the completed fulness of Christ. We will have the consummate manifestation of being "In Christ," walking in the anointing and the love of our Father God. This is the Morning Star Authority.

Pride Destroys Unity: Being "one" means being in unity, and that is only possible through humility. Pride is the destroyer of unity. Pride values itself more than others, and exalts itself as knowing "better" than everyone else. Pride does not like to submit to authority and is rebellious. Pride hates to be corrected. Prideful people get offended easily, especially when corrected. Prideful people want things done their way. Pride gives way to the spirit of rejection which rejects love. The spirit of rejection hardens our heart causing us to reject God's love and separate people unto themselves causing division.

<u>Phil 2:1-4</u> Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, 2 fulfill my joy by being **like-minded**, having the **same love**, being of **one accord**, of **one mind**. 3 Let nothing be done through **selfish ambition or conceit**, but in **lowliness of mind** let each esteem others better than himself. 4 Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

Selfish ambition: a person who is concerned only with his own welfare, susceptible to being bribed, ambitious for their own gain, self-willed seeking opportunities for promotion becoming a partisan factious (divisive) spirit that would resort to any method for winning followers. They draw people unto themselves causing division. SFLB W/W Phil 1:16

<u>Heb 13:17</u> Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you. A humble-obedient heart. SFLB F/N **Obedience**; assenting to someone else's direction. **Submission**; yielding one's contrary opinion in favor of another's. It is good to question and express our difference of opinion, but it is how we respond to that discussion that will reflect what is in our heart; humility leading to unity, or pride leading to division.

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