

Unity, based on ANYTHING other than in Jesus is insufficient and temporary at best (more than a moral cause or a common interest)

Believers are Knit Together and Fused Together (we're one body) because of the commonality we share in Jesus Christ

## How should believers handle divisions and disagreements?

Matthew 5:21-26





#### Jesus is exposing the heart behind the Law (God's Word exposes the very heart of mankind)

Hebrews 4:12-13

The visual is that God's Word splits us right down the middle and it exposes ALL the nooks and crannies within us (we're laid bare before God)

We've got to realize, Yes, God's interested in the task, but God's equally interested in the heart behind the task (outward and inward obedience)

Matthew 5:21-22 These verses center on living at peace with others and seeking to reconcile (when possible)

#### Ephesians 4:26-27

Proverbs 15:1

Proverbs 29:11

James 1:19-21



#### Anger directed toward someone else is a very serious matter



### If you have a problem with someone else... Go and Address it

2. If you know someone has a problem with you. Go and Address it

### This entire passage equates the physical act of murder to anger



"Raka" = you empty-headed person (a term of reproach - often used out of anger)

"You fool" = where we get the term Moron (vocalizing our contempt for another person)

# Unaddressed, Undealt with, Unjust (Unrighteous) anger... Is 100% Unacceptable

#### CHALLENGE

