

Sermon Title: **“UNITED IN ONE”**

Ephesians 4:4-6

- What unites us, as believers IN Jesus Christ, is the common bond we share IN Christ!!! (we’re family)
 - D.L. Moody – “I have never yet known the Spirit of God to work where the Lord’s people were divided”
 - Because of who we are IN Christ, we’re to walk in a manner worthy of that calling (our practice MUST match our position)
 - These “ONE” statements emphasize the oneness which believers IN Christ share
- I. ONE BODY
- There is ONE Body, but MANY unique & special & different members (that function cohesively in God’s ONE mission)
- II. ONE SPIRIT
- It’s through the Holy Spirit that we are united, despite our vast differences
- III. ONE HOPE
- That hope is entirely based & grounded upon Jesus Christ ALONE!
 - This reality alone, should motivate us to walk in a manner worthy of our calling IN Christ
- IV. ONE LORD
- To proclaim “Jesus is Lord” meant Caesar was NOT Lord ... it elevated Jesus to equal status as God
- V. ONE FAITH
- Do you know, everyone has faith
 - As followers of Christ, we look to God’s Word (the Bible) & w/ confidence, we cling to Its teachings (doctrines)
 - How significant is this conviction, when it comes to someone else’s eternal well-being?
 - In what ways should I proceed, endeavoring to maintain unity IN Christ, as I speak the truth in love?
- VI. ONE BAPTISM
- Identifying w/ Christ in His death, burial, & resurrection to newness of life
- VII. ONE GOD & FATHER
- Believers are God’s adopted children (this means we share the SAME Father) we’re ALL just ONE BIG adopted family