

United in Understanding
1 Corinthians 14:1-25, Pew Bible p. 960
June 19, 2022

I. Understanding Gifts (V. 1-5)

A. Being united in understanding means desiring gifts while pursuing love.

B. Being united in understanding means strengthening people with the word of God.

II. Understanding the Word (V. 6-19)

A. Being united in understanding means seeking the word of God.

B. Being united in understanding means comprehending the word of God.

III. Understanding the Result (V. 20-25)

A. Being united in understanding means responding to the word of God.

Group Discussion Questions

1. Read 1 Corinthians 14:1-25.
2. How have you observed the gift of tongues practiced and taught in your life? Did it have a positive or negative effect on your faith?
3. What is the difference between desiring something and pursuing something? What does verse 1 say we should desire and what does it say we should pursue? Why?
4. How important is it for a church to strengthen people's faith in God? What are some other goals that often get in the way of the ultimate goal of building people up in the Lord? What could happen if a church lost sight of this?
5. Have you ever been in a worship service where you did not understand what was said? How did that impact your worship? Does a Christian worship service have to be done in a language that is generally understood by its hearers? Why?
6. Have you ever been so inexperienced in a type of evil, you wouldn't know how to commit it even if you wanted to, as verse 20 says? Why? Have you ever been so skilled in a type of evil, that it made you wonder why you weren't that smart in righteous things? Why?
7. Why is it important for churches to evaluate their worship, to an extent, through the eyes of unbelievers, as verses 22-23 say?
8. Pray for our church, that our church members leave every worship service fully understanding the word of God preached to them. Consider attending our church prayer meeting tonight at 7 pm. Register at the church website at www.apollobaptist.org.

Church Bible Reading Plan

Leviticus 5-7

June Memory Verses: James 1:22-25



2 Corinthians 1:3-4 (ESV)

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, ⁴ who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

BEFORE Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

If you have not done so already, register from the www.apollobaptist.org home page by clicking the image for the Prayer Meeting. Register with your name and email address. This registration will last through 8/7/2022. Click on the emailed Zoom link at the time of the Prayer Meeting.

Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

- PRAYING for our GriefShare ministry as it launches a new semester on June 26th.

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- PRAY for missions and missionaries:
Andy & Lindsay M. in Spain, Comfort J. in Nigeria, Luke P. in Maricopa, Arizona, Nathan & Becky F. in Indonesia, Sylvia M. at ASU West, Arizona, Doug & Cheryl D. in Thailand, and Jules S. in Thailand
- PRAY for all our students: elementary, middle school, high school, and college. No matter whether they are in the classroom, an on-line setting, or a home school setting our students are forming minds that need to focus on Christ.
- Family & friends of church members who need salvation or to renew their relationship with Jesus
- Families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones:
Family of Genny M., Beverly T. (husband, Al), LeRoy H. (wife, Kay), David T. & family (wife), Louise R. (husband), and Ed G. & family (mother)
- Those struggling with on-going health and other issues:
Michelle L. (health issues), Mary R. (dialysis needed until kidney transplant), Debbie B. (health issues), Leon V. (chemo), Ann C.-W. (health issues), Marie B's husband (gaining strength), Debbie P. (healing/improved health), Twila D. (stroke), Wayne D. (declining health), Rebekah R.'s father, Keith B. (recovery from open-heart surgery), Ken & Darlene R. (health issues), Margaret J. (recovery from cancer surgery), Paul W. (recovery from neck surgery), Jan O. (vertigo), and John E. (eyelid cancer)
- Others that you are aware of