

Crazy Unity
1 Corinthians 1:10-17
September 12, 2021

I. A Description of Unity (V. 10)

- A. Unity means intentional _____.
- B. Unity means no _____.
- C. Unity means having the same _____ and _____.

II. The Source of Division (V. 11-12)

- A. Division is caused by argument without _____.
- B. Division is caused by argument about _____ issues.
- C. Division is caused by exalting _____ name over God's name.

III. The Problem of Division (V. 13-17)

- A. Division in the church makes people _____ and God _____.
 - 1. *When People Are Big and God Is Small* by Edward Welch

Group Discussion Questions

1. Read 1 Corinthians 1:10-17.
2. Is it possible to decide to agree with someone whom you don't presently agree with, as verse 10 implies? Why would one do that and how?
3. What are some common ways division infiltrates the church? Why do you think God hates it so much?
4. Considering the three ways unity is described in verse 10, is perfect unity for a church easy? How can a church go about pursuing perfect unity, as God commands in verse 10?
5. Were the Corinthians fighting about something important or not important, according to verses 11-13? How do you know?
6. Is it possible for even good church leaders to become idols? How? How can a church protect itself from this kind of division?
7. Pray for our church, that we would pursue the crazy level of unity that 1 Corinthians 1:10 demands. Consider coming to tonight's Zoom prayer meeting at 7 pm. Register from the home page on the church website to be emailed a Zoom link. If you have registered before, you need to register again as the old registration link has been updated for security purposes.

Church Bible Reading Plan

Bible Reading Plan: Jeremiah 7-9

September Memory Verses: Jeremiah 2:12-13

Matthew 19:14

but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."

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. You will need to re-register for the new quarter, 9/12/2021 —12/26/2021.

Once you register with your name and email, you will be emailed a Zoom link. Click on the emailed Zoom link at the time of the Prayer Meeting to join.

Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

- PRAYING for the children at Apollo, the Awana program, Sunday School, and Children's Worship.

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- PRAY for missions and missionaries

- PRAY for all our students: elementary, middle school, high school and college, as they return to school. No matter whether they return to 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
Tom M. (mom), Nataleen W. (brother), Anita O., Alea O., Andi P. (son and brother), Ruth S. (mother)

- Those struggling with on-going health and other issues:
Mary C. (serious cancer issues), Michelle L. (constant pain issues, waiting on results from an MRI), Debbie P. (broke her leg and is now in rehab, still cannot put full weight on that leg), Twyla D. (had a stroke and now has a weakened right side), Linda C. (fell at the funeral of her nephew and hurt her shoulder), Marcia H. (increasingly homebound), Ruthie C. (surgery on September 22), Debbie B. (recovery from blood clot issues)

- Others that you are aware of