

Actively Pursuing Unity

"Eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." Ephesians 4:3
(English Standard Version)

_____ is a serious issue, whether for a _____ or a _____.

The Importance Of Unity In The Church

A. Mark 3:24 - A _____ cannot _____ if it is

_____.

B. The kingdom of God cannot condone division:

1. Matthew 16:18 - _____ only spoke of _____ church.

2. John 17:20-23 - Jesus' desire was for His _____
to be _____, as He and the _____ were. The
standard is to be _____ one.

3. Ephesians 4:3,4a - We should be _____ to maintain
_____, including unity of the _____.

C. Does _____ in religion disturb us? It _____!

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A. **True unity is based upon the truth of God's word:**

1. John 17:14-17,19 - Jesus' followers could be _____
by the _____, which is God's _____. Even if the
world _____ us for it, we must embrace that truth.

2. 1 Corinthians 1:10 - We are to _____ with one another,
and to have no _____ among us, but be _____
in the _____ mind and the _____ judgment.

B. **True unity is based on a Christ-like spirit:**

1. Philippians 1:27 - Are we standing _____ in _____ spirit,
with _____ mind striving side by side for the faith?

2. Philippians 2:1-5 - If we have the _____ of _____, we
will show _____ toward others, and count them as
more _____ than ourselves.

3. John 4 - Wasn't this the attitude _____ showed to the
_____ of Samaria?

C. 1 Peter 3:10,11 - If we seek _____ days, we must keep
our tongues from _____, and seek _____ and
_____ it.

To have unity in _____ church we must _____ it and
_____ it - every one of us!

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