

"THE 7 PILLARS OF OUR CHURCH" Pillars Part 3: The Power of Unity

- One of the most under-utilized powers within Christendom is unity.
- A lot of 21st Century theology focuses on individuality and personal growth.
- The Civil Rights movement changed the world through its emphasis on unity.
- The House of Hope Macon is committed to the unity of faith and peace within the body.

I. The Unity In Creation

Gen. 1:26; John 1:1-2

- A. God created the world as **Elohim**.
- B. **Elohim** connotes and denotes **plurality**.
- C. God worked in **partnership** in creating the world.

II. The Unity That Brings **Change**

Psalm 133:1

- A. **Blessings** can come through a unified community.
- B. Unity has a certain "oil" attached to it.
- C. Unity requires **agreement**.
- D. Unity can help to <u>accomplish</u> the <u>impossible</u>.
- Gen. 11:1-7

E. A house **divided** against itself **can't stand**.

III. The Unity That Helps In Counsel

Prov. 11:14; 15:22

- A. Unity helps to get people to **safety**.
- B. The Word models **reasoning** together.
- C. The Church of Jerusalem would meet for <u>discussion</u> and <u>agreement</u>. Acts 13

IV. The Unity That Brought The Comforter

Acts 2:1

- A. One of the blessings on Pentecost was that the <u>believers</u> were <u>unified</u>.
- B. Believers in Acts 1 were temporarily without **Christ** or the **Comforter**.
- C. Jesus said if two or three would "agree as touching" that He'd be in the midst.

V. The Unity That Goes Beyond The Cemetery

I Cor. 15:50-58

A. Unity will **personify** heaven.

Rev. 5:11

- B. We will be **raised** in unity.
- C. God will **comfort** us beyond the **grave** as a unified Body.
- D. Christ will return for a <u>unified Body</u>.

I Thessalonians 4:16-17

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