

Session 2

Our Framework: Unity Displayed

Ephesians 4-5

Get in each other's homes

Why is unity so vital?

- Because the defining characteristic of the Trinity is _____
- Because His power works in us so that we can _____
- Because unity among believers is _____ - _____ from _____

Spiritual Friendship Blueprints

(Ephesians 4-6)

- Be humble, gentle, and patient with each other (4:2)
- Be kind, tenderhearted, and forgiving to each other (4:32)
- Seek biblical solutions (5:15-17 /understand God's will)
- Sing spiritual songs together (5:19)
- Submit to each other (5:20 /outward obedience)
- Respect each other (5:33 /heart posture)
- Iron out each other's wrinkles (5:26-27 /sanctify)
- Nourish each other (5:29 /actively meet needs)
- Obey authorities (6:1 /outward submission)
- Honor authorities (6:2 /correct heart attitude)
- Behave humbly (6:4 /don't provoke)
- Train children (6:4 /correct and model)
- Work with excellence (6:6 /right work with right attitude)
- Demonstrate servant leadership (6:9 /don't threaten)

Foremen & Work Crews

- Although we experience God's grace _____, He has given us _____ as gifts to help us experience it _____.
- Their role is to help get "_____ " (Eph.4:16) and to "_____ " (Eph. 4:12)

Leaders are Members › All Members are Servants

- Leaders need _____
- Leaders need _____
- Members _____
- Members _____

Speaking the Truth in Love AKA "Truthing" Each Other in Love

- We "Truth" each other by proving God's ability to _____ with _____.
- "Truthing" challenges unbiblical thinking.
- Sometimes "truthing" comes through _____.
- Mostly "truthing" comes through _____ - _____

"I do this not merely by speaking gospel words to them, but also by living before them and generously relating to them in a gospel manner." Milton Vincent

The Royal Makeover Studio

- We exchange our spiritual rags for royal robes when we _____ our _____ to represent our _____.
- We must _____, _____, and _____ each other through spiritual changes.

Truth & Love (Spiritual Mortar)

- Truth provides _____ against the winds of _____.
- Love displayed through _____ and _____ keeps bricks from _____.
- Without properly maintained mortar, _____ and _____.
- If _____ joined and held together, equipping each other under Christ's leadership then _____ working properly and _____ growing and building ourselves up in love.

Keeping Our Work Site Well-Lit

Eph. 4:26

- Don't say it's okay when it's not (you need to be truthful and the other person needs the chance to make things right).
- Chase down the _____ of your anger and keep a spotlight on it 'til it's dealt with. James 1:20, Ex. 34:6, 2 Pet. 3:9
- Deprive the devil of opportunities; (remember that anger rushes in where love is absent).
- Unity and anger don't tolerate each other. _____ interferes with building each other up.

"For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light, for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true." Eph. 5:8-9

"But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." Eph. 5:13-14

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