

Text: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13  
Topic: Unity  
Study First Corinthians  
Week 3 of 3  
Series 3

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## The Power of Unity

### Should All Christians agree everything?

**Text for today:** 1 Cor 1:10-13 "Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. 11 For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you. 12 Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." 13 Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?" NKJV

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## **Application Questions**

1. Do you think you may be involved in a circle of relationships within the church that has subtly adopted an air of exclusivity that was created and is maintained by feelings of superiority...even in the slightest? What practical steps can you personally take to change this perceptiveness and/or reality?

2. In what ways can our personal feelings lead us away from the truth of scripture?

What has been your experience in this area with relationships?

3. In what way could River of Life Church benefit from the body resolutely agreeing to disagree on the non essentials? (How the church is led, Does God still heal today? Do you have to speak in tongues to be spirit filled etc.)

4. Is there a brother or sister in Christ in your life who you have separated yourself from or who you judge because of your different personal; interpretations, deductions, opinions, preferences or feelings?

What can you do to restore or grow that relationship? God requires us to honor all people.

5. What improvements can be made in your life to help bring unity to the body of Christ?