

3) UNITY IN _____

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Glory Center Mission Statement: "To ignite the world with the **Loving Presence of God through the experience of worship, reconciliation and relationship.**"

Ephesians 2:19 "So now you non-Jews are not visitors or strangers. Now you are citizens **TOGETHER** with God's holy people. **YOU BELONG TO GOD'S FAMILY.**"

When we are united in covenantal relationships as God's family, then we know we _____, are _____ and are _____

THE RELATIONSHIP OF JONATHAN & HIS ARMOR-BEARER

1 Samuel 14:6-7 "Jonathan said to his young armor-bearer, 'Come, let's go over to the outpost of those uncircumcised fellows. Perhaps the Lord will act in our behalf. Nothing can hinder the Lord from saving, whether by many or by few.' 'Do all that you have in mind,' his armor-bearer said. 'Go ahead; I am with you heart and soul.'"

The enemy knows there is no way to defeat a united church. A tactic of the enemy is to try to isolate you and get you to think you are alone and no longer in covenantal relationship with God and with God's people.

Deuteronomy 25:17-18 "Remember what Amalek did to you on the way as you were coming out of Egypt, how he met you on the way and attacked your rear ranks, all the stragglers at your rear, when you were tired and weary; and he did not fear God."



"UNITY" is _____

THEME SCRIPTURES:

ACTS 2:1-4 (NKJV)

"When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all **WITH ONE ACCORD** in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

ACTS 2:42-43 & 46

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. ... So continuing daily **WITH ONE ACCORD** in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart."

"WITH ONE ACCORD" (Strong's #3661, Homothymadon) means _____

3 BUILDING BLOCKS FOR UNITY IN THE CHURCH:

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The Word of God produces unity in the church because it lays the _____ for understanding who God is, what God has done for us in Christ Jesus and how we are to live for Him.

EPHESIANS 4:11-12

"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until **WE ALL REACH UNITY** in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God, and **BECOME MATURE**, attaining to the **WHOLE MEASURE OF THE FULLNESS OF CHRIST.**"

In Ephesians 4, we see that Jesus gave leaders to the church in the 5- Fold Ministry of _____

The 5- Fold ministry teaches, trains and empowers every believer until _____

We want to be a church that studies and understands the word of God.

Acts 17:11 "Now the Bereans were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true."

2 Timothy 3:16 "All Scripture is God-breathed and useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness."

EPHESIANS 4:15-16

"Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."

THREE CHARACTERISTICS OF AN APOSTOLIC CHURCH: _____
_____, _____ & _____

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THREE DIFFERENT TYPES OF PRAYER:

- **C** _____ **PRAYER** (Matthew 6:6 "But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen...")
- **C** _____ **PRAYER** (Matthew 18:19 "I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you...")
- **C** _____ **PRAYER** (Isaiah 62:6-7 "I have posted watch persons on your walls, ... they will never be silent day or night...")

PRINCIPLE OF UNITED PRAYER: _____

Leviticus 26:8 "Five of you will chase a hundred, and a hundred of you will chase ten thousand, and your enemies will fall..."

THE EARLY CHURCH PRAYS FOR PETER

Acts 12:5 & 12 "So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him. ...When this had dawned on him, he went to the house of Mary... where many people had gathered and were praying."