

Unity - September 20, 2015 - Many yet One

Introduction

The church has MANY individuals but makes up ONE body. When all the members are fulfilling their place and using their God-given gifts within their local church body... The church and the world experiences a unique expression of God's love through this God-inspired unity with others.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Have you ever asked yourself why you attend church? If so, what is your answer? Why do you attend Crosspointe Church?
- 2. Read <u>Ephesians 4:1-16</u>. What does God say He has given every person in the church. What does God say will happen when everyone in the church is working properly?
- 3. Read <u>1 Corinthians 12:12-26</u>. Who does it say places individuals within a church? What is the result intended by the placing of specific individuals within the church?
- 4. In the message, Jon said; "You are here at Crosspointe Church because God has uniquely gifted you and specifically placed you here to help create a greater expression of His love through God-inspired unity with others." Based on Ephesians 4 and 1 Corinthians 12, do you believe this to be true about you? If so, why? If not, why?
- 5. Read <u>Acts 2</u>. What were some ways the first church maintained their unity? What are some ways you could improve personally to help maintain the unity at Crosspointe?

Moving Forward

In <u>Acts chapter 2</u>, we can see ways that each of us can participate in the maintaining of unity within the church. Towards the end of the chapter, Luke records some simple ways for each of us to remain in unity with our church. Are you submitted to and living in these ways today? If not, how about making the commitment today, so together we can experience a greater expression of God's love for ourselves and each other.

4 Ways You can remain in unity at Crosspointe Church

- 1. Make Sunday church services and daily time with God, priorities on your schedule.
- 2. Submit your God-given gifts and talents to the work of the ministry.
- 3. Give 10% and an offering of everything you profit.
- 4. Be intentional about building and growing relationships with others in the church.

Changing Your Mind - Commit this to memory

And all who believed were together and had all things in common.- Acts 2:44 (ESV)