



# United for a Purpose

John 17:20-23/Psalms 133



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## Unity Defined:

- *A whole that is a combination of parts*
- ***Singleness of purpose*** or action;  
*continuity*



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➤ Grk Meaning: **Ek-klēsia**

➤ **Ek-kaleō** – a verb meaning “called out”  
**Summons** – an order to assemble



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## The Church –

- ▶ Grk Meaning: **Ek-klēsia**
- ▶ This term “**ek-klēsia**” could be applied to any variation of assemblies. Religious or Nonreligious just as long as they were assembling with one purpose



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**Jesus Prayers defines Purpose of Unity**

– John 17:23

**Complete (*grk. teleiōō*) means: to be *perfected***



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### Purpose of Unity

We May be Completely One (Perfectly One)

The World will Realize God Sent Christ

That God Loves Us...Just as He Did Christ



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*“...that they may be completely one...”*

Aristotle distinguishes 3 different concepts of the word **“Perfect”**

- *That which is complete — which contains all the requisite parts*  
Col 3:14(NASB)
- *That which has attained its purpose* Phil 2:2(NASB)
- *That which is so good that nothing of the kind could be better*  
Ps 133:1(NASB)





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*“..and the world thus realize that you sent me..”*

We are Unified for the ***purpose*** of bringing the world to a realization of God through the works and the mission that Jesus began –Mk 16:15-18



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### The works and mission of Jesus:

- Preach the Gospel Lk 4:18
- Save the Lost Lk 19:10
- Heal the Sick Matt 9:35
- Give Abundant Life Joh 10:10
- Restore purpose Ps 138:8
- Show the Love of the Father 1Joh 4:9-10



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*“...and that you have loved them just as you have loved me...”*



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➤ Love was shown to the world when the Father sent His Son to die  
John 3:16

➤ Love Is demonstrated to the world when believers love the Lost  
Matt 5:43-48

➤ Love will testify to the world when Believers love one another  
John 13:35



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- **THE POWER & EFFECTS OF UNITY-Ps 133:1-3**
- The power of unity is **the Holy Spirit in us – Who Empowers Us to do the impossible - WHICH IS TO WORK TOGETHER** all for the greater good of the Kingdom of God
- **Unity is Good & Pleasant**



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- **THE POWER & EFFECTS OF UNITY-Ps 133:1-3**

- The **Goodness of Unity** is compared to the **Anointing Oil** Used on Aaron the High Priest

- The Holy Spirit is the Anointing Oil

*The anointing oil (Holy Spirit) was an indication of the power and ability released upon a person to carry out their assigned or special tasks.*



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- **The Pleasantness of Unity** is compared to the **Dew of Mt. Hermon**

(In scripture) **DEW** symbolizes, the manifested power of God that quickens, revives and invigorates life into the lifeless habitat of anything it encounters.

**DEW** has the ability to revive, restore or keep alive anything that is parched, dry or even dying



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- **Our Unity commands the blessing  
Of LIFE (ETERNAL) – to all we encounter**





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