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disciple:

// someone who follows Jesus and leads others to do the same.

Studying God's Word is one of the best ways to grow your relationship with God, be tuned to the Holy Spirit, and get to know Jesus intimately. John 1 tells us that the Word is God, the writer of Psalms tells us it will light our path, and Jesus tells us in John 8 if we abide in His Word, we are truly His disciples.

This tool is just one of the many ways to study the Bible and dive deeper into the passages we will be studying each weekend together. Our hope is that you begin to deeply understand the scripture we will be unpacking and allow God to speak to your heart before you even walk through the doors on Sunday.

This tool is designed to help guide you as you seek to understand the context of each verse, what it meant to its original audience, and what it means to us today.

There are a few ways you can utilize this PDF.

- 01** Print the PDF.
-or-
- 02** Download the PDF, open in a notes app (GoodNotes, Notability, etc), fill it out digitally.
-or-
- 03** Use the PDF to transcribe into a notebook or journal.

5 Marks of a Disciple

- Know Jesus Intimately
- Follow the Holy Spirit Relentlessly
- Obey God's Word Completely
- Love His Church Wholeheartedly
- Seek the Lost Intentionally



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Week of November 27th // Conversation December 3rd




Unity

As we are getting ready to celebrate The Hope of One with Coatesville Bible Fellowship, we wanted to take a look at a section of Scripture where Jesus is praying for unity.

pray.

Ephesians 4:3 tells us to, “Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit...” As you begin your time in the Word today, pray for God to open your eyes and heart up to the concept of unity. Take a few minutes to pray for the one body of Christ, His one church and the one individual that you can share the love of God with in your sphere of influence.

observe.

- 01**  Put a cross over every reference to Jesus including pronouns.
- 02**  Put a triangle over every reference to God the Father.
- 03**  Circle any reference to unity (such as being one).

John 17:20-26 (NLT)

In this portion of Scripture, Jesus is praying to God the Father. This is often referred to as “The High Priestly Prayer”. Jesus prays this before He goes to the Garden of Gethsemane.

²⁰ “I [Jesus] am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. ²¹ I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me.

²² “I have given them the glory you gave me, so they may be one as we are one. ²³ I am in them and you are in me. May they experience such perfect unity that the world will know that you sent me and that you love them as much as you love me. ²⁴ Father, I want these whom you have given me to be with me where I am. Then they can see all the glory you gave me because you loved me even before the world began!

²⁵ “O righteous Father, the world doesn’t know you, but I do; and these disciples know you sent me. ²⁶ I have revealed you to them, and I will continue to do so. Then your love for me will be in them, and I will be in them.”

interpret.

01 Who is Jesus praying for in v. 20?

02 What did you learn from marking references to unity? List your insights below.

03 Why does Jesus pray for perfect unity in v. 23?

apply.

01

What are some ways that you have experienced unity in the body of Christ? Jot down a few examples.

02

What are you most looking forward to during The Hope of One gathering?

03

What are some practical ways you can embrace unity in your sphere of influence amongst believers?

bring it together.

Jesus prayed not only for the disciples but for those who would believe in Him through their message. That includes us today!

Jesus prayed for unity amongst believers. Not just any unity – unity like how Jesus is in the Father, and the Father is in Jesus!

The whole reason for this unity is so the world would believe that God sent Jesus. He said, “May they experience such perfect unity that the world will know that you sent me and that you love them as much as you love me.”

The unity that we can experience as believers demonstrates how much God loves the world. As we get our hearts ready to worship with Coatesville Bible Fellowship this coming Sunday, let’s pray that God would develop a spirit of unity in our hearts towards our brothers and sisters in Christ.

connect.

We are available to answer any questions you might have.

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