Scripture / #21 (U) Unity

MAN'S FIRST ATTEMPT AT UNITY

*Genesis 11:1-9*And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech. And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there. And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for morter. And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth. And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded. And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another’s speech. So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city. Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

*Genesis 9:1*And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

*Genesis 11:2*And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.

*Genesis 11:1*And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.

*Genesis 11:4*And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.

*Genesis 11:6* And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

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MAN'S FINAL ATTEMPT AT UNITY

*Revelation 13:7*And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

*Revelation 14:8*And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

*Revelation 17:1*And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

*Revelation 2:20-22*Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols. And I gave her space to repent of her

fornication; and she repented not. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.

*2 Corinthians 11:2*For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

*Ephesians 5:25-27*Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

*Revelation 19:7,8*Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

*Revelation 17:5* And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

*Revelation 17:1,15*And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

*Revelation 18:2-8*And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered

her iniquities. Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double. How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow. Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is

the Lord God who judgeth her.

TRUE UNITY VERSES FALSE UNITY

*Ephesians 4:*3 Endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

*Amos 3:*3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

*Ephesians 5:*11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

*2 Corinthians 6:14* Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

TRUE UNITY VERSUS FALSE UNITY COMPARED

*Ephesians 4:4* There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

*Colossians 1:18*And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

*Ephesians 4:4*There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

*1 Thessalonians 4:8*He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.

*John 16:13*Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

*1 John 4:6*We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

*1 Timothy 4:1*Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

*Revelation 18:2*And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

*1 John 4:1*Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

*Ephesians 4:4*There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

*Titus 2:13*Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ;

*Revelation 21:1*And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

*Ephesians 4:5*One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

*Philippians 2:11*And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*Luke 6:46*And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

*John 14:15*If ye love me, keep my commandments.

*Ephesians 4:5*One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

*Jude 3*Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

*Romans 10:17* So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

*Ephesians 4:5*One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

*Matthew 28:19*Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

*1 Corinthians 14:33*For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.

*Ephesians 4:6*One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

*Deuteronomy 6:4*Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

*1 John 5:7*For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

*Galatians 2:21*I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.

THE UNITY WE NEED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT

*John 17:*21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

*John 17:9,10* I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine. And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.

*John 17:21-23*That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

*1 Corinthians 1:2*Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both their’s and our’s:

*1 Corinthians 11:18*For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions among you; and I partly believe it.

*1 Corinthians 12:25*That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another.

*Ephesians 4:13*Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

*Ephesians 4:16*From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

*1 Corinthians 12:12-27*For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all

made to drink into one Spirit. For the body is not one member, but many.

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*1 Corinthians 12:26*And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honored, all the members rejoice with it.

*Ephesians 4:11,12*And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the

edifying of the body of Christ:

*Ephesians 4:2,3,32*With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ’s sake hath forgiven you.

*1 Corinthians 13:8-10*Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

*2 Thessalonians 3:6* Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.

*2 Thessalonians 3:13-16* But ye, brethren, be not weary in well doing. And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed. Yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother. Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all.

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*1 Corinthians 5:9-13* I wrote unto you in an epistle not to company with fornicators: Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world. But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat. For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within? But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.