

Welcome to the  
Burnett County Church of Christ

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*What the Church looked like  
In Unity*

Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-16

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Songs for Worship – 02/09/14

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Scripture: Psalm 133:1

Psalm 133:1 ~ *Behold, how good and how pleasant it is For brethren to dwell in unity!*

Ephesians 2:14-18



# *What the Church looked like...*

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Ephesians 4:1-16

### I. The Character of Unity (1-3)

Beseech, implores, exhorts, urges...

*Lowliness* or *Humility* – a modest estimate of one's own worth. Submission to divine will.

Putting others before yourself. Webster's

1 Peter 5:5-7

Matthew 11:29 *...for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.*

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*Meekness* or *Gentleness* – mildness of manners or disposition. How you treat others.

*Mildness* not *Weakness*

Matthew 11:29 ...gentle (meek) and lowly...

...*the meek shall inherit the earth.* Matthew 5:5

2 Timothy 2:25 ...*in humility*

Titus 3:2 ...*be peaceable, gentle, showing all humility to all men*

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*Patience* or *Long-suffering* – endurance, consistency, steadfastness, perseverance, slowness in avenging wrongs.

James 5:7-8



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*Bearing* or *Forebearing* – to sustain, to hold up, to endure another.

1 Corinthians 13:4 ...*love suffers long and is kind,*

Colossians 3:12-15

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### I. The Character of Unity (1-3)

*Lowliness or Humility*

*Meekness or Gentleness*

*Patience or Long-suffering*

*Bearing or Forbearing ...love*

*Unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace*

*Endeavor or Be diligent to preserve IT!*

2 Timothy 2:15



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### II. The Foundation of Unity (4-6)

*One Body* – Unity in Organization

Eph. 1:22-23 *...the church, which is His body*

Romans 12:5 *...so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.*

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*One Body* – Unity in Organization

*One Spirit* – Unity in Revelation

1 Corinthians 12:12-13 ...*For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body -*

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*One Hope* – Unity in Goal

Titus 3:7 ...*according to the hope of eternal life*

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*One Lord* – Unity in Authority

Matthew 28:18

1 Corinthians 8:6 *...and one Lord Jesus Christ,*

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*One Faith* – Unity in Truth

Romans 10:17 *...comes by hearing*

Jude 3 *...once for all delivered*

Romans 1:5 *...obedience to the faith*

Romans 1:16 *...the power of God to salvation*

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*One Faith* – Unity in Truth

*One Baptism* – Unity in Practice

Mark 16:15-16 ...*and be baptized*

Acts 2:38 ...*and be baptized*

Romans 6:1-6 ...*buried with Him through baptism*

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Matthew 4:8-10

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### III. The Gifts of Unity (7-11)

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### IV. The Picture of Unity (12-16)

v.12 *...for the work of ministry (or service)*

v.13 *...to the measure of the stature of the fullness*

v.16 *...the whole body ...every part does its share*

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- I. The Character of Unity
- II. The Foundation of Unity
- III. The Gifts of Unity
- IV. The Entire Picture of Unity

Is Webster a unified body of Christ?

(v.12) ...*equipping* or *perfecting*

Have you...

Heard? ...*faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.* (Rom 10:17)

Believed? ...*believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.* (John 20:31)

Repented? ...*unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.* (Luke 13:3)

Confessed? ...*if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord... resulting in salvation.* (Rom 10:9-10)

Been Baptized? ...*those who had received his word were baptized;* (Acts 2:41)

Lived Faithfully? ...*be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord.* (1 Cor 15:58)

Invitation Song # 569