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GUEST SPEAKER: JAMES SHIELDS

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FOR THOSE WHO WILL BELIEVE IN ME THROUGH
THEIR WORD; 21 THAT THEY ALL MAY BE ONE,
AS YOU, FATHER, ARE IN ME, AND I IN YOU;
THAT THEY ALSO MAY BE ONE IN US, THAT THE
WORLD MAY BELIEVE THAT YOU SENT ME.

JOHN 17:20-21

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WHAT IS UNITY?

3 ENDEAVORING TO KEEP THE UNITY
OF THE SPIRIT IN THE BOND OF PEACE.

EPHESIANS 4:3

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1. UNITY
2. UNANIMITY, AGREEMENT

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THE STATE OF BEING MADE ONE,
JOINED TOGETHER,
OR IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT,
RATHER THAN BEING DIVIDED
OR MULTIPLE

UNANIMITY

THE STATE OR QUALITY OF
BEING UNANIMOUS,
MEANING EVERY SINGLE PERSON
IN A GROUP SHARES THE SAME
OPINION, DECISION, OR VOTE

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IS UNITY IMPORTANT?

34 A NEW COMMANDMENT I GIVE TO YOU,
THAT YOU LOVE ONE ANOTHER; AS I HAVE LOVED YOU,
THAT YOU ALSO LOVE ONE ANOTHER.
35 BY THIS ALL WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES,
IF YOU HAVE LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER.

JOHN 13:34-35

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15 AND LET THE PEACE OF GOD RULE IN YOUR HEARTS,
TO WHICH ALSO YOU WERE CALLED IN ONE BODY;
AND BE THANKFUL.

COLOSSIANS 3:15

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EXAMPLES

DAVID AND ABSALOM

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY:

1

COME TO JESUS

6 JESUS SAID TO HIM,
“I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE.
NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME.

JOHN 14:6

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY:

II

FORGIVE AS THE LORD FORGAVE YOU

12 THEREFORE, AS THE ELECT OF GOD, HOLY AND
BELOVED, PUT ON TENDER MERCIES, KINDNESS,
HUMILITY, MEEKNESS, LONGSUFFERING; 13 BEARING
WITH ONE ANOTHER, AND FORGIVING ONE ANOTHER,
IF ANYONE HAS A COMPLAINT AGAINST ANOTHER;
EVEN AS CHRIST FORGAVE YOU, SO YOU ALSO MUST DO.

COLOSSIANS 3:12-13

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY:

III

SINCERITY VS. HYPOCRISY

27 WOE TO YOU, SCRIBES AND PHARISEES, HYPOCRITES!
FOR YOU ARE LIKE WHITEWASHED TOMBS WHICH INDEED
APPEAR BEAUTIFUL OUTWARDLY, BUT INSIDE ARE FULL OF
DEAD MEN'S BONES AND ALL UNCLEANNESS. 28 EVEN SO
YOU ALSO OUTWARDLY APPEAR RIGHTEOUS TO MEN, BUT
INSIDE YOU ARE FULL OF HYPOCRISY AND LAWLESSNESS.

MATTHEW 23:27-28

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17 THE WOMAN ANSWERED AND SAID, “I HAVE NO HUSBAND.”
JESUS SAID TO HER, “YOU HAVE WELL SAID, ‘I HAVE NO
HUSBAND,’ 18 FOR YOU HAVE HAD FIVE HUSBANDS, AND THE ONE
WHOM YOU NOW HAVE IS NOT YOUR HUSBAND; IN THAT YOU SPOKE
TRULY.” 19 THE WOMAN SAID TO HIM, “SIR, I PERCEIVE THAT YOU
ARE A PROPHET. 20 OUR FATHERS WORSHIPED ON THIS MOUNTAIN,
AND YOU JEWS SAY THAT IN JERUSALEM IS THE PLACE WHERE ONE
OUGHT TO WORSHIP.” 21 JESUS SAID TO HER, “WOMAN, BELIEVE
ME, THE HOUR IS COMING WHEN YOU WILL NEITHER ON THIS
MOUNTAIN, NOR IN JERUSALEM, WORSHIP THE FATHER.

JOHN 4:17-21

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY:

IV

PRAY IN READINESS

6 BE ANXIOUS FOR NOTHING, BUT IN
EVERYTHING BY PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION,
WITH THANKSGIVING, LET YOUR REQUESTS BE MADE
KNOWN TO GOD; 7 AND THE PEACE OF GOD, WHICH
SURPASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING, WILL GUARD
YOUR HEARTS AND MINDS THROUGH CHRIST JESUS.

PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY:

V

GET HELP

14 WHERE THERE IS NO COUNSEL, THE PEOPLE FALL;
BUT IN THE MULTITUDE OF COUNSELORS THERE IS SAFETY.

PROVERBS 11:14

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY:

VI

HAVE A WORD FROM THE WORD

12 FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS LIVING AND
POWERFUL, AND SHARPER THAN ANY TWO-EDGED
SWORD, PIERCING EVEN TO THE DIVISION OF
SOUL AND SPIRIT, AND OF JOINTS AND MARROW,
AND IS A DISCERNER OF THE THOUGHTS
AND INTENTS OF THE HEART.

HEBREWS 4:12

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4 THE WEAPONS WE FIGHT WITH ARE NOT THE WEAPONS
OF THE WORLD. ON THE CONTRARY, THEY HAVE DIVINE
POWER TO DEMOLISH STRONGHOLDS. 5 WE DEMOLISH
ARGUMENTS AND EVERY PRETENSION THAT SETS ITSELF
UP AGAINST THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD, AND WE TAKE
CAPTIVE EVERY THOUGHT TO MAKE IT OBEDIENT TO
CHRIST. 6 AND WE WILL BE READY TO PUNISH EVERY ACT
OF DISOBEDIENCE, ONCE YOUR OBEDIENCE IS COMPLETE.

2 CORINTHIANS 10:4-6

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY:

VII

MEET UP

TALK ABOUT IT

13 GREATER LOVE HAS NO ONE THAN THIS,
THAN TO LAY DOWN ONE'S LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS.

JOHN 15:13

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY:

VIII

GIVE IT TIME

4 LOVE SUFFERS LONG AND IS KIND;
LOVE DOES NOT ENVY;
LOVE DOES NOT PARADE ITSELF,
IS NOT PUFFED UP;

1 CORINTHIANS 13:4

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY:

IX

RINSE AND REPEAT

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BIBLICAL STEPS TOWARDS UNITY

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ROMANS 14:19

THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND

- DO THE WORK TOWARDS UNITY
- LIKE A WORKOUT REGIMEN

19 THEREFORE LET US PURSUE THE THINGS
WHICH MAKE FOR PEACE AND THE THINGS
BY WHICH ONE MAY EDIFY ANOTHER.

ROMANS 14:19

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11 LEST SATAN SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF US;
FOR WE ARE NOT IGNORANT OF HIS DEVICES.

2 CORINTHIANS 2:11

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THE IMPORTANCE OF UNITY

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THE MAIN THING

27 PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU,
MY PEACE I GIVE TO YOU;
NOT AS THE WORLD GIVES DO I GIVE TO YOU.
LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED,
NEITHER LET IT BE AFRAID.

JOHN 14:27

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