



Unity
Psalm 133:1-3
#26 in a series on the Psalms
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Theme: **Unity Is Love's Crowning Jewel.**

Some Clarifications.

1. What unity is not.
2. What unity is. (Cf. John 10:16; 13:34-35; 15:5; 1 Corinthians 6:17; Ephesians 2:11-22; 4:1-16)

Some Benefits.

1. It is good. (1; cf. 86:5; 100:5; Genesis 1:4, 10, 12, 18, 21, 25, 31; Micah 6:8)
2. It is pleasant. (1; 16:11; 81:2; 135:3)
3. Some Pictures. (2-3)

Some Essentials.

1. Our responsibility. (Cf. John 17:21, 23; Ephesians 4:1-16; Colossians 3:14-15)
2. Enjoy! (11)

In My Life This Week

(As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.)

Monday. Reflect on what you think real Christian unity is as you read Psalm 133 several times. Now write out your thoughts. Save them, review and, perhaps, update them throughout the week.

Tuesday. Every Christian is united to Christ and every other believer. Our experience of this unity is sometimes strained and even fractured. Make a list with two columns. Write the title “The State Of My Christian Unity” at the top of the page. The heading for the first column, “Good Unity—The People and Why.” The heading for the second column, “Little to No Unity—The People and Why.” Think carefully and broadly as you fill in the columns, listing specific names, groups *and* the reasons. Start thinking about what you are going to do to move those in the second column over to the first.

Wednesday. God creates Christian unity and the experiencing it is *good and pleasant*. Objectively, it has the quality of being *good*. Subjectively the experience is *pleasant* (verse 1). This is God’s truth for you in every Christian relationship. Thank Him for this. Review your description of unity from Monday and the list you made yesterday.

Thursday. Our responsibility for unity is to have a genuine concern for it and then to do all we can to preserve the unity God has given us (see Ephesians 4:1-3 ff.). Remember, *unity is love’s crowning jewel*. As you look at your “The State Of My Christian Unity” list again, describe what you would like each relationship to be like and determine one or two things you can and will doing now as part of your responsibility to preserve the unity we have in Christ.

Friday–Saturday. On Sunday we plan to look at Psalm 91. Read and think through this Psalm as you prepare for our time of worship together.

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