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A Call for Christian Unity

Let's consider "one another"

**"So, we, being many, are one body in Christ and every one members one of another"—
Romans 12:5.**

No man is an island. Complete independence and self-sufficiency is impossible. We need others and others need us. United we stand, divided we fall. The Church of God has many members, yet they form one body. A cordial atmosphere of unity should characterize our community as well as our church, but most certainly in God's church and among God's people, love, unity and oneness should prevail. Loyal friendships and healthy relationships are necessary for the church and society to function properly. We must serve one another in order to fulfill God's purpose for our lives. Our homes, our marriages, our churches, and our communities become dysfunctional when we fail to serve one another. The Bible makes this clear. We are repeatedly urged to consider one another. We need God's help to accomplish this.

There are more than 50 "one another" passages that instruct us on how we are to treat each other. In the Old Testament we are admonished **NOT** to lie to one another, **NOT** to steal from one another, **NOT** to oppress one another (Lev. 19:11; Lev. 25:14). Communication is also encouraged as Malachi advises us to speak often to one another (Mal.3:16). In the New Testament, it goes further as we are instructed **to prefer** one another in honor, **to esteem** others as better than ourselves **to love** one another; **to serve** one another in love and **to bear** one another's burdens (Rom. 12:10; Phi. 2:3; John 13:34; Gal. 5:13; Gal. 6:2).

Yes, indeed, we should love one another! Our dear Heavenly Father loves all His redeemed children equally. The blood of Jesus purchased our adoption into the Family of God. It has made us blood brothers and sisters and members of the body of Christ. Every Christian brother or sister and each one with whom you attend church or with whom you work is loved of the Lord just as much as you are. Our heavenly Father wants His children to forgive, forget and get along. True redeemed children of God should have the indwelling Spirit of Christ in them. That being so, consider this: how can the Jesus in me criticize the Jesus in you? In heaven there will be no critical talk, so why not end it here and now? Let us work through the semantics of doctrinal disagreements or personal misunderstandings. Give our brothers and sisters the benefit of any doubt and keep on loving and forgiving one another. God bless you as you love and serve one another in the church, the Kingdom of God, and in your family and community. God bless you! You are loved!