

The Peace of Christ

Col 3:15

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Background

In John 17:21, Christ prayed to His Father that His disciples -- across the world and throughout time -- "may all be one [...] that the world may believe that you have sent me." Christ prayed for unity to be a defining characteristic of the Church, and His Holy Spirit empowers it -- but how? Come join us this Sunday as we continue our study of Colossians and practice the unity we have as the Body of Christ during a time of Body Life.

Sermon Text: Col 3:15 (ESV)

¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

Discussion Questions

1. Preparation

- a. What is one thing you hoped to talk about today/tonight?
- b. What question(s) did you come away with from the sermon?
- c. What stands out to you the most from this sermon?

2. Sunday questions

- a. Are you "zealous" to keep the unity of the Spirit (Eph 4:3)? In other words, is keeping unity with believers of utmost importance for you as a Christian? Why or why not?
- b. As we know, unity doesn't come easily. Eugene pointed out that "counterfeit unity" does because it manifests itself in "avoidance of conflict" or "behavioral conformity." Can you give an example of where you have seen this counterfeit unity? Is this something you tend toward? Why or why not?
- c. Like a ligament, peace must be exercised; unity must be stretched. Can you name an example from your life where peace has been exercised and/or unity has been stretched?
- d. Is there a joy that God would want you to share with your group?
- e. Is there a sorrow that God would want you to share with your group?