



“Nothing but Unity” by Pastor Patrick Lishivha , 04 May 2012.

As Christians we have to be united. The cord that binds us as Christians is love.

The foundation of Christianity is nothing but love. If we serve the same God, then we know that we are on the same track and that what we do will please God.

The disciples came and said to *“Jesus Christ we found another casting out demons in your name and we stopped him”*. As long as we serve the same Lord we have must be united.

Whatever we do and say should please the Lord whether we do it in the light or in the dark. We must never be ashamed of our Lord and Saviour as Jesus Christ said *“Whoever is ashamed to talk about me in the presence of the brethren I will also be ashamed to speak about him to My Father.”*

When we show that we are united, the devil will send his messenger who will come to divide us. We are in a war. When a baby is born, the first thing that the baby does is cry, if the baby doesn't cry it is presumed to be dead. We are not still born, we are alive and we are here to fight.

Our reward is in heaven. When we fight there are those who pretend to be our friends and sow discord amongst us. Just like Judas Iscariot who pretended to be with them but was not. Whoever is not with us is our enemy.

The bible says we should love our enemies. Loving our enemies means praying for them so that they can know the Lord and so that they should not perish. Let that person say *“These people are aware that I am a wizard yet still they love me, let me change”*.



We can pray all night long but if we are not united we are wasting our time.

What kills our unity? What can separate us if we are united? **1 Corinthians 1:10** *"10 Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment."* **1 Cor 1:10, NKJV.**

The Holy Spirit's gives us different gifts. If we are united then the Holy Spirit will come down. When God sees our unity He will strengthen us. There should not be any divisions in the church. Children of God do not compete but complement each other and when we complement one another, the Holy Spirit will strengthen us and make us stronger. Unity is power and when we have the power we will win the battle.

Our life on earth is characterized by war. When you fall you must stand up again and continue just like a baby who is growing and learning to walk, will fall now and but still stand up and continues to learn to walk. We must ask God *"God, give me the grace to live according to the way you want me to live."*

"I made you a prophet before you were formed in your mother's womb I knew. Before then, I knew you." Each and every one of us, has a predestined path that God has planned for us and as long as we are on this path, there is provision and there is protection, there is unity between us and God. When we divert from God's plan, we are on a path but not the path of God, protection is gone, unity with God is gone, unity with the brethren is gone. Maybe you will have unity with others who like you have left their God-ordained paths. We are given gifts differently and when we are given gifts let's use them for benefit of the kingdom of God.

United we stand, divided we fall. The kingdom divided against itself cannot stand.



Think about one person you hate the most. Why do you hate them? When we pray we say *"Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us"*. It means we are praying without understanding. How can we love God when we cannot love our brethren? If you have something bothering you, go and solve it first so that God can hear you.

People complain *"I been praying and praying but there is no response."*

Unity is the power. One God, One Christ, One Holy Spirit, One Father, one baptism in one faith. Everything must be one.

Those who will baptised will become new creations. The new creation after baptism is united with Christ. People will remind you of your past sins. We do not have to entertain this.

This person you hate the most: I don't know who that person is, as long as you have somebody that you hate the most, that hatred makes God not to hear your prayer. You will pray until you are blue in the face but you will be wasting your time. How can you love God that you cannot see but hate somebody that you can see every day? When you meet this person you can even suffer a heart attack. We are all created in the image of God and if you see somebody and see an enemy you are making the image of God your enemy. How can you hate God's image and have unity with God?

Love your neighbour as you love yourself. In the Old Testament we have Ten Commandments and when Jesus Christ came they asked Him questions trying to test Him and He just said *"Love your neighbour as you love yourself."* If you love your neighbour as you love yourself then you won't covet your neighbour's son, husband, wife etc

When Paul wrote this scripture he had seen divisions in the church. Those who were blessed of God, always came together and the less



blessed had their own group. But we belong to one church, why should there be divisions amongst us when we belong to one church, one Christ. We are there to complement each other not to compete.

If you belong to any group in this church, this morning is your morning to say *"I don't belong to anybody but to Christ."* If you belong to Christ then you are in the right place.

There are people who pray and never quote any single word from the bible, it is like a Venda person going to China and there speaking in Venda.

Ephesians 4:3-6 *"endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."*

4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism; 6 one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."
Eph 4:3-6, NKJV.

If there is no unity which God are we praying? For us to do this we must be united. We aren't talking halves here, "one = united", not zero, "one = united".

We serve one God under one faith. There must be unity.

After all this, do you see there is no reason why you should hate anybody? If you still think so, then you have a reason to hate God and therefore why waste your time? If you are like that then you are an agent of darkness, you may just be a junior agent.

When you see the next person, see the image of God. If somebody offends you, and you get angry with them then you have no peace in you. You will never get peace anywhere but in Christ.

When there is no peace and you meet the person you hate (and in most cases that person doesn't know it), then you will become very ugly on your face. Let's go to the peace maker. One peace, from the peace



maker, Jesus Christ. Let's all go to Him.

James 4:1 and **James 3:14-16**.

James 4:1 *"Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members?" NKJV.*

James 3:14-16 *"14 But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. 15 This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic. 16 For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there." NKJV.*

Is it because I am fending for myself, I want to be seen to be better than others? We are members of one body. If you are the right hand, I am the left hand.

One time the members of the body rebelled against the stomach and said we can't feed this lazy stomach. The hands, the eyes etc all rebelled and said *"The stomach must see its way out"*. Then hunger set in, the other members were now no longer functioning properly. Now they wanted the stomach to eat so they can all get energy. All the members then agreed that we need to feed the stomach and then there was unity again in the body. We are incomplete if there is a member missing. Then you are crippled. *5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism; 6 one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."* **Eph 4:3-6, NKJV.**

When we are united we will not have any strife or contentions. We will be able to correct each other without any hassles. There must be unity in Jesus Christ.

If you are full of hatred this is the number one weapon the devil uses in and against your life. When you get angry you open the door for the evil one to enter your life, to put you aside with no fellowship with your brothers and sisters.



“Prayer Points” by Pastor Progress Nengome

01. Prayer of Confession

2Ch:7:14: “If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 15: Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attend unto the prayer that is made in this place.”

Destroy altars that keep people from coming to church. Every altar which is not of God must collapse. Let's repent as per Daniel's prayer of confession.

Destroy the throne of witchcraft in the area.

Some Altars are tree altars. The plant a tree for you as you are growing up and they monitor you through that tree. We must destroy these satanic altars which hold our lives down.

02. Bind the Strong Man First

Matthew 12 29 “Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house.”

Prayer Points: God in the name of Jesus, I bind the strongman of my fathers house, my mother house, my life, business, career, health, city, nation, land, Pentecostal Holiness Church and claim my blessings, prosperity, my promotion, success and life in the name of Jesus.

03. Gates

Psalms 24 7 “Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye



everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. 8 Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle."

Psalms 91 5 *"Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;"*

Prayer Points: I rebuke every wicked person operating from any throne to hinder Pentecostal Holiness Church, family, promotion, marriage, career, business, finances and studies in Jesus name.

04 **Deliverance from Evil work**

2 Timothy 4:18 *"18 And the Lord will deliver me from every evil work and preserve me for His heavenly kingdom. To Him be glory forever and ever. Amen!"* **2 Tim 4:18, NKJV.**

05. **Every evil that is on our way, God deliver us**

Colossians 1:13 and **Math 6:13.**

Col 1:13 *"13 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,"* **NKJV.** **Matt 6:13** *"13 And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."* **NKJV.** Wherever it may be.

06. **Evangelism**

Acts 2:42-47

"42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. 43 Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. 44 Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, 45 and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need. 46 So continuing daily with one



accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved." **Acts 2:42-47, NKJV.**

Having fellowship: Evangelism is part of fellowship. Pray for fellowship.

Praying for people who are coming for baptism. Pray for their safety as they travel. Pray for the water that we are going to use for the water baptism and cast out all the evil spirits.

07. Get thee behind me satan

Some are suffering because of the satan of your father, because of the agreements that they made with satan. The devil of my Father, my leave me!

07. Call forth our Blessings

John 11:39, verse 43.

John 11:39 "39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days." **NKJV**

John 11:43 "43 Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth!" **NKJV.**

08 Thank God

Thanksgiving for what God has done in and through these prayers.

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