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BEING UNITED

“All the believers were one in mind and heart. Selfishness was not a part of their community, for they shared everything they had with one another.”

Acts 4:32 TPT



The one thing that would make the difference in our gatherings during such a season is not meeting in numbers, but to come together in one heart and with one mind. We may be many in numbers but its more pleasing to God to be one in heart and mind. “Now make me completely happy! Live in harmony by showing love for each other. Be united in what you think, as if you were only one person” (Philippians 2:2 CEV).

As a result of the oneness and unity, selfishness disappears and everyone gives their best - when there is no unity, the opposite is also true.

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Having a divided mind nullifies the purpose of gathering, especially with the current health threat. The gathering of saints becomes good and pleasant regardless of any potential threats when there is a sweet unity. There is also a blessing released and lives are impacted; and this is pleasant to God (see Psalms 133:1-3).

In such a time, it is important to reflect on what is the true purpose of our gatherings, and also assess if there is any unity of the mind as we are constantly meeting. Jesus highlighted the importance of unity in Matthew 12:25 when He said, “Any kingdom divided will not stand. A town or family that fights will soon fall apart”. That statement shows that unity is important because it sustains and yields great results from gatherings. Where there is unity, there is the power to create and recreate great things, just as Adam and Eve were created in the unity of God (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) and through them all of humanity came into being.

Genesis 11:1-6 tells a story of a time when all the people of the earth spoke the same language, and at some point, they united to build a tower to reach God. God being aware of their plan He exclaimed that “after this, nothing they set out to do will be impossible for them!”. This goes to show that work done in unity minimizes impossibilities. Agreement plays an important role when a group seeks to achieve anything. Jesus told His disciples and those around Him that, “I also tell you this: If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you.” (see Matthew 18:19). Our gatherings represent the two, and unity causes God to respond favourably.

Jesus gives us an image of what it means for the church to be one in mind and heart. He says in Matthew 18:20, “For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.” Therefore to gather in one mind and heart is to gather in ONE NAME - the name of Jesus. Therefore, it implies that every other name ceases from existing and everything is done through, for and by that one name Jesus Christ. Every heart and mind in the gathering puts aside its desires and sets its focus on Jesus. Why the name of Jesus? Because it is the name that was given to us by God Himself, and it is the highest name of authority (see Philippians 2:9-11)

It's almost wasteful to gather and host meetings when everyone's mind is occupied with other names. So we are physically there, but our minds are not there. We need to come to an understanding that gathering solely in the name of Jesus imposes His presence, and that is what makes it different from any other meeting.

God's presence is tangible in a meeting where His name is exclusive, holy and set apart from any other because His name carries His identity and glory. He will not allow his name to be common or partial, and because His name carries His Glory, He won't share it with anyone.

“I am the Lord; that is my name! I will not give my glory to anyone else, nor share my praise with carved idols” Isaiah 42:8 (NLT)



The time has come for us as children of God to experience the supernatural and see great results from our gatherings. For that to happen, we will need to shift our focus from ourselves and magnify the name of Jesus Christ in our gatherings and from this realm of oneness and sweet harmony, a corporate blessing will be released and lives will be impacted.

PRAYER

Our Daddy God, let your name be sanctified in my life and in our gatherings in your name.

In Jesus name

Amen