

We Are the Body – Part One

John 17:11b-23

August 16, 2026

The Purpose of Fruit and of Gifts

One Lord, One Body

Maintaining Unity – Only by the Holy Spirit

Jesus Desire for His Followers

What Does Unity Look Like

Make it Count: Live by the Spirit in Us

Series: Empowered – Part Thirteen

Beyond Sunday...

Verse of the Week

*“There is one body and one Spirit...
one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all,
who is over all and through all and in all.”*

Ephesians 4:4-6

This week learn from the following passages of Scripture about striving for Unity in the Spirit. Write down what you learn.

Monday – Romans 12:3-21

Tuesday – Romans 14:13-19

Wednesday – 1 Thessalonians 5:11-26

Thursday – 1 Timothy 4:6-16, 6:11-16

Friday – 2 Timothy 2:19-3:7

Saturday – 2 Timothy 4:1-5

Heart Challenge

*How have you experienced the fruit and gifts of the Spirit in your life?
How has their expression impacted your life and the lives of others around you?
What role has God given you in helping maintain the unity of the church?
Have you seen what happens when unity is broken?
What practical steps can you take to promote unity?*

Our theme for 2026 is BEYOND

*“For, ‘Yet a little while, and the coming one will come and will not delay;
but my righteous one shall live by faith,
and if he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him.’
But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed,
But of those who have faith and preserve their souls”
Hebrews 10:37-39*