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By One Spirit

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Seems: Time of many problems and few solutions.
Conviction: Idea not true/ nor cond. necessary.
Example: Our text would eliminate four of our greatest problems today: ONE SPIRIT!

THE ONE SPIRIT LOCATED & DEFINED IN Eph. 4:1-3.

A. Ephs urged to seriously strive to live up to the Great Christian Standard have accepted.
B. Defines the Attitude which typifies the Christian-calling. V. 2. Vocation
1. Lowliness: lowness of mind, humbleness.
5. In love: wishing the best for another.

C. Synonyms: of one spirit.
3. Spirit of Righteousness which could bring peace to the world; unity to religion; harmony to the nation; love to the home; and peace-of-mind to any sincere man!

NOTE: The answer to our pressing problems has been with us always. Just neglected.


II. BY THE ONE SPIRIT WE COULD UNITE ALL BELIEVERS IN CHRIST JESUS. RELIGIOUS UNITY.

A. Text: All baptized into ONE body. One family.
B. Harmonizes perfectly with Eph. 4:4-6.*Chain!
2. One Spirit. lowliness, meekness, longsuffering.
3. One Hope. Heaven for all! Ill. song; My Hope is Built on nothing less.* #177 CH
6. One Baptism. All NT and all early Church History agree that bap. was immersion for the remission of sins. Acts 22:16.

C. MANDATORY LOGICAL DEDUCTIONS: one one
1. No more bodies than heads. Christ & church.
2. No more baptisms than Spirits. By one Spr.
III. BY ONE SPIRIT WE WOULD HAVE STRONG AND HAPPY MARRIAGES.

A. 1971: 674,000 divorces. Div. in Spr. first!
B. Causes of today's divorces open and clear.
   1. Social immaturity: Marry before really know one another. Haste to heartache.
   2. Domestic immaturity: Not trained to wait and plan and prepare. Sorry!
   3. Spiritual immaturity: lack of depth in humility, longsuffering and love.
C. True One-Spirit conversion makes a Christian cautious, deliberate and very very wise.

IV. BY ONE SPIRIT WE COULD HAVE MORE RELAXED HOMES FOR BOTH PARENTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE.

A. Gen. gap only a superficial line drawn by chronological age only. Natural. Normal.
B. One Spirit leads Fathers to teach. E. 6:4.
C. One Spirit leads Mothers to love- T. 2: 4-5.
E. When Spirit of Christ is present there is no gen. gap of any kind. Ill. West Palm Beach grandparents. An elder. Grandchildren sit with Grandparents. In home. Love. Ur spirit

V. ONE SPIRIT MAKES THE CHURCH A WONDERFUL HAVEN OF REST AND PEACE AND JOY.

A. Entrance into church called a New Birth. J3:35
   1. Produces a new man, II Cor. 5:17.
B. Jerusalem congregation had One Spirit and All Spiritual Blessings in Christ Jesus.
   2. V. 41. Same spirit in obedience.
   3. V. 42. Same spirit in worship.
   4. V. 43-45. Same spirit about materialism.
   5. V. 46-47. One spirit in fellowship.
C. Paul had to remind the Corinthian congregation about the One-Spirit. I Cor. 1:10.

INV. Jesus invites all men to partake of the One Spirit of humility, obedience & surrender. Brings new Life, Hope and Joy. New man!

The one Spirit causes the negligent Christian to come home to the peace, love and happiness found only in God's spiritual family.