



#2. Ungodly _____,

(2 Thessalonians 3:10) "... If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat."

(2 Thessalonians 3:6) "But we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw from every brother who walks disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us."

(2 Thessalonians 3:14) "And if anyone does not obey our word in this epistle, note that person and do not keep company with him, that he may be ashamed."

(1 Corinthians 5:9-11) "I wrote to you in my epistle not to keep company with sexually immoral people. {10} Yet I certainly did not mean with the sexually immoral people of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world. {11} But now I have written to you not to keep company with anyone named a brother, who is sexually immoral, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; not even to eat with such a person."

#3. _____, 16:17

(Titus 3:10) "Reject a divisive man after the first and second admonition,"

(2 Corinthians 6:14-18) "Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? {15} And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? {16} And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people." {17} Therefore "Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." {18} "I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty.""



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In Tune With Christ

Indeed there are many members, yet one body. --1 Corinthians 12:20

In his book *The Pursuit of God*, A. W. Tozer wrote, "Has it ever occurred to you that one hundred pianos all tuned to the same fork are automatically tuned to each other? They are of one accord by being tuned not to each other but to another standard to which each one must individually bow. So one hundred worshipers [meeting] together, each one looking away to Christ, are in heart nearer to each other than they could possibly be were they to become unity-conscious and turn their eyes away from God to strive for closer fellowship."

Although Tozer's comments were written with worship in mind, they reveal the secret of Christian unity. The more we center our thoughts on Christ, the more we will be drawn to one another as His followers and the more our differences will fade into insignificance.

If we all seek conscious fellowship with Christ we will know the truth and it is truth that unites. The apostle John wrote, "That which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ" (1 Jn. 1:3).



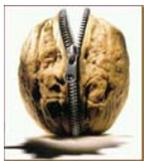
Do you sense unity with other believers? Are you "in tune" with Christ? -- RWD

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love!

The fellowship of kindred minds

Is like to that above. -- Fawcett

To have harmony with other believers, we must be in tune with Christ.



Romans: Truth in a Nutshell

(unzipped for you)

Accepting Differences III

Today we need to make three statements about differences that will help us know how to live in the real world:

1. We _____ differences when the differences are in regard to _____,

14:1, 17, 15:8-12

(Romans 15:8) "For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the Jews on behalf of God's truth, to confirm the promises made to the patriarchs" [paraphrase]

2. We _____ with differences when the differences are _____ BUT non-_____,

#1. We are to _____ each other, 15:7

#2. We are to _____ each other,

#3. We are to _____ each other, 15:2

#4. We are to seek _____

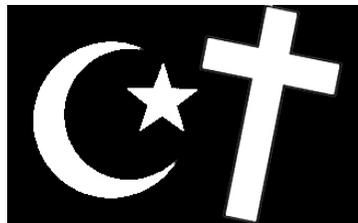
#5. It is always appropriate to state the _____,

(Ephesians 4:14-15) "that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro .. with every wind of doctrine, .. {15} but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head; Christ;"

(James 1:19) "So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath;"

#6. Don't _____,

(2 Timothy 2:24-26) "And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, {25} in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, {26} and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will."



3. We _____ with differences when the differences are _____ AND _____,

(Jude 1:3) "Beloved,...I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints."

(2 Timothy 4:2-3) "Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. {3} For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers;"

(Jude 1:16-19) "These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling words, flattering people to gain advantage. {17} But you, beloved, remember the words which were spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ: {18} how they told you that there would be mockers in the last time who would walk according to their own ungodly lusts. {19} These are sensual persons, who cause divisions, not having the Spirit."

#1. False _____,

(Acts 15:1-2) "And certain men came down from Judea and taught the brethren, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved." {2} Therefore, .. Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and dispute with them, ..."

(Galatians 2:1-5) "Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem ... {2} .. and communicated to them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, ... {3} ..not even Titus who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised. {4} And this occurred because of false brethren secretly brought in ... {5} to whom we did not yield submission even for an hour, that the truth of the gospel might continue with you."

(1 Timothy 6:3-5) "If anyone teaches otherwise and does not consent to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which accords with godliness, {4} he is proud, knowing nothing, but is obsessed with disputes and arguments over words, from which come envy, strife, reviling, evil suspicions, {5} useless wranglings of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. From such withdraw yourself."



(2 Timothy 2:17-18) "And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort, {18} who have strayed concerning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past; and they overthrow the faith of some." **(2 John 1:10)** "If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him;"

