

Four Prayers for the Journey – Week Two

Christian Unity: An Agonizing but Amazing Mystery

Psalm 133; Philippians 2:1-11

Introduction: Christian unity is not simply the absence of conflict but a proactive movement toward finding the best in people and treating them with a sense of honor. This morning we look at the concept of proactive unity from Psalm 133 and the power for unity from Philippians 2.

1. **The concept of and benefits of unity *Psalm 133***
 - A. The context of the Psalm.
 - B. First benefit: Unity is emotionally satisfying.
 - C. Second benefit: Unity gets us in touch with the supernatural power of God.
 - D. Third benefit: Unity is spiritually refreshing.
 - E. Fourth benefit: Unity gives us a foretaste of heaven.
2. **The price tag for unity is humility. *Philippians 2:1-11***
 - A. Humility before God. 2:1-3
 - B. Humility before each other. 2:3-4
 - C. Fixing your mind on Jesus. 2:5-11