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Ephesians 4:1 – 6 November 5, 2023 Jon Field, Lead Pastor

MESSAGE NOTES

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· Live as ONE united in His love

With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love... — Ephesians 4:2 (ESV)

Eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. — Ephesians 4:3 (ESV)

Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit... – Ephesians 4:3 (NLT)

"Unity becomes precious when you walk through conflict in order to reach it." -Lynn Buzzard

Live as ONE united for His GLORY

Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. - Ephesians 3:20-21



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Discussion starter: If you were able to worship at ALL TOGETHER, what was your favorite part of the day and why?
- Why is celebrating a new life in Christ through baptism so important, and how does it symbolize our relationship with God?
- What key truth did you take away from the teaching this Sunday?
- Read Ephesians 4:1-3. Describe some of our distinctive callings in Christ.
- · What does it mean to "bear with one another in love"?
- Read Ephesians 4:4 6. What is the difference between "conformity" and "unity" in living as ONE in Christ?
- Read Ephesians 3:20 21. What dreams do you have for ENCOUNTER's future? What are some of the characteristics of a church and a person who is living for the glory of God?
- Take a moment to pray for those who were baptized this past Sunday, for the outreach of our community in spreading the message of Christ, and for God's continued powerful work in our church and our lives.

