

# Untied or United?

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A bible student once wrote an essay using this quote:

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We have all of Jesus - what we need is to allow Christ to have more of us

## Group Discussion Guide

The human body is a wonderful and complex miracle yet no single part of it can exist on its own. How then can the Church made up of many different cultures, values, beliefs and morals exist and thrive?

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When a person first becomes a part of the body they are at a starting point yet there are many ahead of them as a more mature disciple.

Key points:

1. A hardened heart struggles to accept Gods commands
2. Asking for a sign clearly displays a believers unbelief
3. Why ask for yet another sign when there are already so many in place

Discussion points:

1. What advice should a new believer know in order to exist in unity with the church?
2. What should a 'seasoned' believer demonstrate to the church to help build unity?
3. Pastor St. John broke the church into 4 parties. Which do you fall into? While there are challenges with each group, what can each group do to promote unity?  
(Hint, there is no "I" in church)
  - a. The "Looking back" party
  - b. The "Young & Intellectual" party
  - c. The "Traditionalist" party
  - d. The "Anti-hero" party

If Christ is your Lord then you know that the people of this church are a gift to you to fill in your blanks.