

# Every Spiritual Family Needs Togetherness



## Introduction:

1. Will four hours a week help you to grow closer together with your co-workers?
2. If any sports team only spent four hours together, what would their achievements be?
3. What happens when we only spend four hours together as a spiritual family?

## I. Attitude Determines Outcome

- A. "As a man thinks in his heart, so is he" (Proverbs 23:7)
  - B. How is your attitude toward unity?
    1. Do you want unity among our spiritual family? (Acts 2:43-47; 4:32-35)
    2. Do you believe the ones? (Ephesians 4:4-6)

## II. Who are We?

- A. We were purchased with a price. (2 Corinthians 6:20 and 7:23)
- B. The blood of Christ has drawn us near. (Ephesians 2:13)
  1. This reconciliation was effected on us while You were sinners. (Romans 5:8)
- C. We are righteous because we walk in the ways of the Lord. (Psalm 15)
- D. Further, we are:
  1. Fellow citizens (Ephesians 2:19-22; Philippians 3:20),
  2. Fellow heirs (Ephesians 3:6),
  3. Fellow workers (Philippians 4:3),
  4. Fellow servants (Colossians 1:7),
  5. Fellow soldiers (Ephesians 6:10-20; Romans 6:13).

## III. Working Together

- A. We are to bear one another's burdens (Galatians 6:1)
- B. "Love one another" (John 13:34).
- C. "Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another" (Romans 12:10)
- D. "Be of the same mind toward one another" (Romans 12:16).
  1. (Philippians 2:1-4) -- "like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord and one mind."
    - a. "One mind" literally "thinking the one thing."
- E. "Be kind to one another" (Ephesians 4:32).
- F. "Teach and admonish one another" (Colossians 3:16).
  1. How can we teach what we do not know? (*Remember Hosea 4:6*)
- G. "Encourage one another" (Hebrews 3:13)

## Conclusion:

1. Will you decide this morning to bond with the person in the pew next to you and further the gospel?
2. Or will you decide you know enough and choose to never grow?