

United in Spirit
Phil 2:1-4
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How can an individual Christian make an impact on the unity of the church?

Unity of the church requires that you live out of gospel convictions, maintain personal humility, and display a constant, selfless concern for your brothers and sisters in Christ. (1 Cor 1:10; Eph 4:3)

The Foundation of Unity v 1

Christ is the foundation, and the salvation which is ours in him.

Encouragement in Christ

Consolation of Love

Fellowship of the Spirit

Affection and Compassion

Grace has empowered you to walk in peace with your brothers.

The Labor of Building Unity

You must live out of the gospel.

What would complete Paul's joy in prison?

What is Spiritual unity?

Having the same mind

Having the same love

Having harmony, we are to be like-souled.

Having one purpose (Mind)

Protecting Unity: the things that we must avoid

Acting from selfishness, or empty conceit.

Looking to your own interests

The Correctives

Count others as more significant than yourself

Walk in humility (1 Cor 4:7; Deut 8:17-18; 1 Cor 1:27-31; Pro 11:2; 16:18; 29:23)

Look to the interests of others. (1 Cor 10:24)

Paul's complete joy, seeing "a church living the gospel life of unity of mind, heart, and will, devoted to the task of unselfish mutual care." Motyer.