STUDY NOTES – JANUARY 27, 2019

Sermon Series: "Together Forever"

Ephesians 4

1. Together forever, **faithful to the truth**. (V. 1a)

Ephesians 4:1 (ESV) — 1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called,

- o Life lesson: Align yourself with Scripture <u>rather than cultural norms</u>.
- 2. Together forever, <u>living out our calling</u>. (V. 1b)

Ephesians 4:1 (ESV) — 1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called,

- o Life lesson: Make decisions that **reflect who you are in Christ**.
- 3. Together forever, **in loyal relationship**. (V. 2b)

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

Life lesson: How to communicate loyalty in God's family:

- 1. Find a place **to serve**.
- 2. Get rid of a **critical spirit**.
- 3. Protect other's **reputation**.
- 4. Rebuke gently and **privately**.
- 5. Never use **flattery**.

S.A.L.T. Group questions

- ➤ Have someone read Sunday's passage: Ephesians 4:1-3
 - o What truths stand out to you?
 - 1. What are some unbiblical cultural norms?
 - o What Scriptures have convinced you that these cultural norms are not of God?
 - Why is it so challenging for many Christians to align themselves with Scripture rather than cultural norms?
 - 2. What are some truths of who we are in Christ?
 - o How does our identity in Christ affect our daily lives?
 - 3. Do you have a friend who is completely loyal to you?
 - o How have they proven their loyalty?
 - o What can you do to show your loyalty to other church family members?

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Prayer for salvation

"Lord Jesus, I need You. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank You for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person You want me to be."

A more detailed copy of this sermon can be found at our Chapel web link: **www.thebibleexpedition.wordpress.com**