

# UNITY

Just as God the Father, Jesus and Holy Spirit operate in unity; it is God's desire that we operate in unity in our families. When we operate in unity there is nothing we can not accomplish together.

**Unity definition:** oneness; a whole or totality as combining all its parts into one; oneness of mind, agreement.

## **Nothing is Impossible when operating in Unity**

Genesis 11:3-6 NLT – They began saying to each other, “Let’s make bricks and harden them with fire.” (In this region bricks were used instead of stone, and tar was used for mortar). Then they said, “Come, let’s build a great city for ourselves with a tower that reaches into the sky. This will make us famous and keep us from being scattered all over the world.” But the Lord came down to look at the city and the tower the people were building. “Look!” he said, “The people are united, and they all speak the same language. After this, nothing they set out to do will be impossible for them!

## **God operating in Unity with Jesus and Holy Spirit**

Genesis 1:26 NLT – Then God said, “let us make human beings in our image, to be like us. They will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground.”

When the decision was made to create humans, God did not make it alone. It was a unified decision with Jesus and Holy Spirit.

## Unity in the Family

Genesis 2:24 NLT – This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one.

In the family each person has a different role, but they are a unit, and each part complements each other. When a family operates in unity no outside force can affect them.

\*Ephesians 6 gives us the model of a family united together with each one operating in their role.

Ephesians 5:22,25 NLT – For wives, this means submit to your husbands as to the Lord. For Husbands, this means love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her.

Ephesians 6:1,4 NLT – Children, obey your parents because you belong to the Lord, for this is the right thing to do. Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord.

\*Joshua made a bold statement of unity for his household.

Joshua 24:15....But as for me and my family, we will serve the Lord.

\*Ruth was unified with Naomi

Ruth 1: 16-17 NLT – But Ruth replied,“ Don’t ask me to leave you and turn back. Wherever you go, I will go; wherever you live, I will live. Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God. Wherever you die, I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord punish me severely if I allow anything but death to separate us!”

## **No unity = Division = No power**

Matthew 12:25 NLT – Jesus knew their thoughts and replied, “Any kingdom divided by civil war is doomed. A family splintered by feuding will fall apart.

Matthew 12:25 MSG – Jesus confronted their slander. “A judge who gives opposite verdicts on the same person cancels himself out; a family that’s in a constant squabble disintegrates.

## **Love Brings Unity**

Colossians 3:14 NLT – Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony.

Colossians 3:14 AMP – Beyond all these things put on and wrap yourselves in [unselfish] love, which is the perfect bond of unity [for everything is bound together in agreement when each one seeks the best for others].

## **God gives us the power to operate in Unity**

With all our different personalities, differences of opinions, talents, and gifts we are not able to do this in our own ability.

Philippians 2:13 NLT – For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.

Philippians 4:13 NLT – For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.

**SAY THIS: I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST!**

**MY FAMILY CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST!**

**MY FAMILY OPERATES IN UNITY!**