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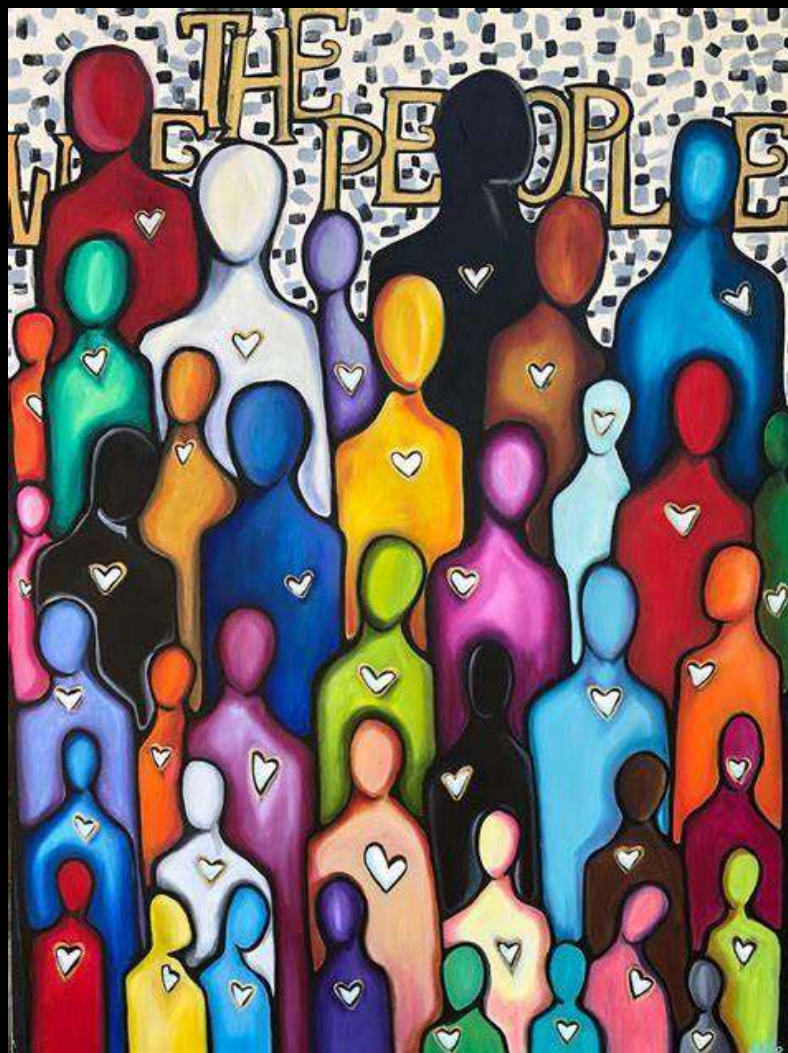
Thanks, Appreciation,
Gratitude,
and Prayer



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1 Corinthians 12: 12 – 14 (NKJV)



Focus Scripture:

²⁶ Then God said,
“Let Us make man in Our image,
according to Our Likeness.” Let
them have dominion over the fish
of the sea, over the birds of the air,
and over the cattle, over all the
earth and over every creeping
thing that creeps on the earth.”

Genesis 1:26 (NKJV)

Who We are:

We are Spiritual
Beings who are
One With Christ
having a
Human
Experience.



Thought for Today:

~ DEI Series ~
Diversity
Equity and Inclusion
in Unity

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Diversity

- The state of being diverse; variety
- The practice or quality of including or involving people from a range of different social and ethnic backgrounds and of different genders, sexual orientations, etc.
- Strongly associated with racial diversity

However, that is just one dimension of the human reality.



BIODIVERSITY



Diversity can be applied and reflected in all living beings. Since there are so many living organisms on earth, scientists call it a biodiversity.

Flora and Fauna
(trees, flowers, animals)
the fish of the sea, the birds
of the air, life over all the
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Gen 1:26b



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What is Our Context for Honoring “Diversity?”

Life’s Complexities

Corporate, Socio-economic, Racial
Comparison/Competition/Condemnation

More than One Month of The Year

Make The Kingdom Connection
Compassion/Concern/Caring

Don’t let ANYONE’S Humanity BULLY Our Spirituality

EQUITY:

The quality of being
fair, impartial

Justice, impartiality,
neutrality, balanced,
openmindedness,
righteousness, uprightness

DIVINE EQUITY:

- *Galatians 3:28*: There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for we are all one in Christ Jesus.
- *John 7:24*: Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with righteous judgment.
- *Proverbs 1:3*: To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity.

INCLUSION:

The practice or policy of providing equal access to opportunities and resources for people who might otherwise be excluded or marginalized, such as those who have physical or intellectual disabilities and members of other minority groups:

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before The Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to Our God Who sits on The Throne, and to The Lamb!”

Revelation 7: 9-10

DIVINE INCLUSION:

Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight.

Romans 12: 16

For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

Colossians 1:16-17

UNITY:

The state of being united or joined as a whole:

Harmony, accord,
collaboration, agreement,
consensus

DIVINE UNITY:

Make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. ³ Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; *Philippians 2:2-3*

We see a beautiful picture of unity among believers. They were adding to their numbers daily. Unity is attractive. When the church is unified, we radiate the Glory of God into a hurting pain filled world. *Acts 2*

² Do not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word ...

³ Let no one deceive you by any means...
2 Thessalonians 2: 2a-3a

Divine Unity

Unity in the Bible means oneness and harmony, especially among believers in Christ. It is based on the confession in The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit.





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Closing, Invitation and Benediction:

“Now unto Him that is
able to keep us from
falling, and to
present us faultless
before The Presence of
His Glory with
exceeding Joy...”

Jude 1:24