



Group Discussion and Application

1. Why are you especially thankful for Grace Fellowship Church?
2. What are some typical issues that produce irritation among believers in the Church?
3. Suggest some practical steps that can be taken to preserve church unity.
4. How does the world seek to produce unity? How successful are such attempts?
5. Give some specific examples of gentleness.
Why is gentleness often confused with weakness?
How can we be gentle and yet not be weak?
6. Illustrate the difference between simply *putting up* with someone and *forbearing in love*.
7. Describe what happens when doctrine and duty are not wedded. I.e., what happens when doctrine is not accompanied by application?
What happens to behavior without proper underlying belief?
8. Why is it important to understand that Paul's exhortation grows out of the doctrine of salvation by grace?



Personal Reflection and Response

1. Memorize Galatians 5:22-23. Which of these fruit do you especially need to work on in your own life to do your part to preserve unity in the church?
2. What specific action will you take to foster the development of this fruit?
3. What action will you take to help maintain unity in the church?



Family Homework

1. During this week of Thanksgiving keep a list of the reasons you are thankful for your family and your church family.
2. Give an example of each of these words and its opposite:
humility, gentleness, patience, tolerance



Church Conduct

Ephesians 4:1-3

How are believers to behave?

1 Christian conduct is to be _____ with our _____. [v.1]

2 Christian conduct is to be _____ of _____. [v.2]

3 Christian conduct is to _____. [v.3]