

We were challenged as to how we are playing our part in promoting and protecting unity in the church?

We did this by looking at Eph 4:1-6. We spent some time seeing how the New Testament places a considerable emphasis on the teaching and promoting of unity. We also were spoken to from other verses in the Bible that tell us that the way we do this is first of all we start with ourselves.

Are we looking to the interests of others? Are we speaking words that build up and benefit others?

Are we 'making every effort to keep the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace?'

We heard from scripture that Paul makes the point that every Christian should be humble, gentle and patient and that we should bear with one another in love. Be honest with yourself. How are you doing in these areas?

It's only as we take on these Christ like attributes that we will begin to make a difference in cultivating an atmosphere of unity in the church.

As you go through this week let these truths help you and guide you to promote and protect unity in the body of Christ?