Unity of the Church Among All People

Ephesians 4:1-6

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- I. A church united around the gospel will be marked by four graces. (4:1-2)
 - A. Humility
 - B. Gentleness
 - C. Patience
 - D. Bearing with one another in love

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Humility

We don't make much of ourselves.

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Gentleness

We make much of others.

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Patience

We make an allowance for the shortcomings of others.

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Bearing with one another in love

We make a commitment to stick it out with one another.

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II. A church united around the gospel will fight for unity. (4:3–6)

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A. Our unity is created by the Spirit. (4:3)

"eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." (4:3)

B. Our unity is built upon the truth of the Scriptures. (4:4)

"There is one body and one Spirit just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call" (4:4)

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C. Our unity is centered on worship of the triune God. (4:4–6)

"There is one body and one **Spirit**...
one **Lord**, one faith, one baptism;
One God and **Father** of all,
who is over all and through all and in all."