

THE BLESSING OF UNITY.

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INTRO.:

A. Read text: **Psalm 133.**

B. Regarding the text:

1. A very familiar Psalm. It has been called the "Psalm of fellowship."
 - 1) Some feel this was given when Israel united after the death of Absalom. (2 **Sam. 19:14** "And he bowed the heart of all the men of Judah, even as the heart of one man...").
 - 2) Whatever the occasion, it was a Psalm of unity.
2. It expresses the fact that unity can be had. Unity involves every person.

DISCUSSION: IN THIS LESSON WE OBSERVE...

I. "BEHOLD HOW GOOD AND PLEASANT IT IS..." (VS. 1).

A. Unity = United in thought and action. Translated "alike" in **Psalm 33:15**; translated "all together" in **Jeremiah 5:5**.

1. One translation has it "How good and how lovely." Another "How delightful."
 - 1) The idea is to be in harmony.
 - 2) This unity is not "agreeing to disagree" as some seek to think.
2. Unity is an essential to success.
 - 1) Jesus prayed for unity: **John 17:21** "That they all may be one..."
 - 2) **Eph. 4:3** - Note **Eph. 4:4-6** (Unity based upon the SAME idea and goal).

B. Unity is both good and pleasant.

1. It produces harmony.
2. It is both **good** and **pleasant**.
 - 1) To stand upon God's word will always bring good results.
 - a. **Psalm 119:77** "Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law is my delight."
 - b. **Psalm 119:174** "I have longed for thy salvation, O LORD; and thy law is my delight."
 - c. **Phil. 1:27** "Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel."
 - 2) Unity is the way to victory.

II. THE OINTMENT AND DEW (VSS. 2-3).

A. This unity is as fragrant and refreshing as ointment and the dew.

1. Referring the oil which was poured on the head of the high priest (Aaron's beard).
 - 1) **Exo. 29:7** "Then shalt thou take the anointing oil, and pour it upon his head, and anoint him."
 - 2) **Lev. 8:12** "And he poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify him."
 - 3) Flowing down from the head to the beard, from the beard to the garments. Thus, sanctifying the whole body.
2. The second figure is of the life-giving dew.
 - 1) As the dew that falls to nourish the fields around Mt. Hermon.
 - 2) Unity is as profitable as the dew that benefits growth.

B. Just as the dew is productive, so is unity fruitful in producing good works.

1. Unity in the Lord's work will be productive ().
2. Biblical unity includes being in harmony with God.

- 1) **1 Cor. 3:9** “For we are labourers together with God...”
- 2) **2 Cor. 6:1** “We then, as workers together with him...”
- 3) Israel in unity rebuilt Jerusalem (**Neh. 4:6** “So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work.”)

C. Unity in the church will produce the proper fruit.

1. **Acts 2:46-47** “And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.”
2. **Eph. 3:10** “To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known *by the church* the manifold wisdom of God.”

III. CONCLUSION:

- A. The basis for unity must come from God’s word.**
- B. The reality of unity comes when brethren are determined to obey God.**