

Unity: Week 5 – 3/24/19

"I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. ²¹ I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me."

John 17:20–21 (NLT)

Week 5 – Unique Personalities

C _____ example

"After some time Paul said to Barnabas, "Let's go back and visit each city where we previously preached the word of the Lord, to see how the new believers are doing." ³⁷ Barnabas agreed and wanted to take along John Mark. ³⁸ But Paul disagreed strongly, since John Mark had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not continued with them in their work. ³⁹ Their disagreement was so sharp that they separated. Barnabas took John Mark with him and sailed for Cyprus. ⁴⁰ Paul chose Silas, and as he left, the believers entrusted him to the Lord's gracious care. ⁴¹ Then he traveled throughout Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches there."

Acts 15:36–41 (NLT)

1. The B _____ Case for Personality Distinction.

A. Jesus, the Perfect B _____.

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Isaiah 9:6 (NIV84)

"The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word."

Hebrews 1:3a (NIV84)

B. People, the F _____ Followers.

"For we know that all creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. ²³ And we believers also groan, even though we have the Holy Spirit within us as a foretaste of future glory, for we long for our bodies to be released from sin and suffering."

Romans 8:22–23a (NLT)

C. The Call to C _____.

"God knew what he was doing from the very beginning. He decided from the outset to shape the lives of those who love him along the same lines as the life of his Son. The Son stands first in the line of humanity he restored. We see the original and intended shape of our lives there in him. After God made that decision of what his children should be like, he followed it up by calling people by name."

Romans 8:29–30a The Message (MSG)

2. The V _____ of Personality Distinction.

* Serving in our s _____.

"... As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love."

Ephesians 4:16b (NLT)

* Submitting our weaknesses for t _____.

"Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. ²⁴ Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life."

Psalms 139:23–24 (NLT)

* Relationship adjustments for h _____.

"Make every effort to live in peace with [everyone] and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord."

Hebrews 12:14 (NIV84)

3. The D _____ of Personality Distinction.

* S _____.

* Self-p _____.

* Self-r _____.