The Beauty of Unity Psalms 133

Lesson 2: Psalms of Guidance

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Old Testament Prophecy Concerning Unity (Isaiah 2:4; Zechariah 2:10; 9:9).

Zephaniah 3:9, "For then will I turn to the peoples of a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of Jehovah, to serve him with one consent." ASV

"For then I will restore to the peoples a pure language, That they all may call on the name of the Lord, To serve Him with one accord." NKJV

"For then I will give to the peoples purified lips, That all of them may call on the name of the Lord, **To serve Him shoulder to shoulder.**" NASU

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New Testament On Unity

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- The Persons of the Godhead. cf. Deuteronomy 6:4; John 10:30
- ullet The majestic universe. Jeremiah 31:35-36
- The Old and New Testaments.
- "Oneness" is the antidote against becoming unbelievers. John 17:20-21
- Individual responsibility. Ephesians 4:1-3; cf. Psalms 86:11

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Note: The relationship of the Son to the Father. John 17

- They had shared their glory before the world was (verse 5), the Father had given him the twelve (verse 6).
- The twelve had shared this glory that they might all be one (verse 22), and they (Father and Son) belonged to each other (verse 10).
- The Son had been in the form of God and equal with God, and the Son took on the form of a servant and became obedient to the Father, even unto death (Philippians 2:6-8).
- The Father created all things through the Son; and the Son was the express image of his person (Hebrews 1:2-3).
- The Son was the image of the invisible God, and in him dwelled all the fullness of the Godhead bodily (Colossians 1:15; 2:9).

Ugliness of Division

- Jerusalem was troubled with Judaizers. Acts 11:2; 15:1ff
- Corinth. 1 Corinthians 1:10ff
- Philippi had Euodia and Syntyche. Philippians 4:2-3
- Ephesus had:
 - 1 Timothy 1:19-20 Hymenaeus and Alexander.
- 2 Timothy 2:17-18 Hymenaeus and Philetus.
- Letter to Gaius mentions Diotrephes. 3 John 9

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2 "It is like the <u>precious oil</u> upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard; that came down upon the skirt of his garments"

- This is a reference to the ointment described in Exodus 30, ordered by the Lord, and made with the four best spices. (verses 22-24)
- It was used to anoint Aaron, his sons, and all vessels used in the tabernacle, and was called "holy ointment" (verses 25-30).
- This holy ointment was known for its wonderful fragrance and its use demonstrated an abundance.

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3 "Like the dew of Hermon, that cometh down upon the mountains of Zion: for there Jehovah commanded the blessing, even life for evermore." $(A_{ij}) = (A_{ij})^{-1} (A_$

- This was the well known dew that descended upon the land from the mountains bringing its fertilizing power and fruitful harvest.
- There was nothing like it and livelihood depended upon it to a great extent.
- It was longed for, looked for, and there was rejoicing when it

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