

Now the company of believers was of one heart and soul, and not one [of them] claimed that anything belonging to him was [exclusively] his own, but everything was common property and for the use of all.

Acts 4:32

So then, let us pursue [with enthusiasm] the things which make for peace and the building up of one another [things which lead to spiritual growth].

Romans 14:9

Now may the God who gives endurance and who supplies encouragement grant that you be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus, so that with one accord you may with one voice glorify and praise and honor the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 15:5-6

And if one member suffers, all the parts share the suffering; if one member is honored, all rejoice with it.

1 Corinthians 12:26

Finally, believers, rejoice! Be made complete [be what you should be], be comforted, be like-minded, live in peace [enjoy the spiritual well-being experienced by believers who walk closely with God]; and the God of love and peace [the source of lovingkindness] will be with you.

2 Corinthians 13:11

There is [now no distinction in regard to salvation] neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you [who believe] are all one in Christ Jesus [no one can claim a spiritual superiority].

Galatians 3:28

So I, the prisoner for the Lord, appeal to you to live a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called [that is, to live a life that exhibits godly character, moral courage, personal integrity, and mature behavior—a life that expresses gratitude to God for your salvation], with all humility [forsaking self-righteousness], and gentleness [maintaining self-control], with patience, bearing with one another [a]in [unselfish] love. Make every effort to keep the oneness of the Spirit in the bond of peace [each individual working together to make the whole successful]. There is one body [of believers] and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when called [to salvation]—

Ephesians 4:1-4

[...] make my joy complete by being of the same mind, having the same [a]love [toward one another], knit together in spirit, intent on one purpose [and living a life that reflects your faith and spreads the gospel—the good news regarding salvation through faith in Christ].

Philippians 2:2

The law of the Lord is perfect (flawless),
restoring and refreshing the soul;

The statutes of the Lord are reliable and
trustworthy, making wise the simple.

Psalms 19:7

“The beginning of wisdom is: Get [skillful
and godly] wisdom [it is preeminent]!

And with all your acquiring, get under-
standing [actively seek spiritual dis-
cernment, mature comprehension, and
logical interpretation].

Proverbs 4:7

The [reverent] fear of the Lord [that is,
worshiping Him and regarding Him as truly
awesome] is the instruction for wisdom
[its starting point and its essence];

And before honor comes humility.

Proverbs 15:33

The mind of the prudent [always]
acquires knowledge,

And the ear of the wise [always] seeks
knowledge.

Proverbs 18:15

Yet wisdom is vindicated and shown to
be right by all her children [by the life-
style, moral character, and good deeds
of her followers].”

Luke 7:35

Let no one deceive himself. If anyone
among you thinks that he is wise in this
age, let him become a fool [discarding his
worldly pretensions and acknowledging
his lack of wisdom], so that he may become
[truly] wise.

1 Corinthians 3:18

Therefore see that you walk carefully [liv-
ing life with honor, purpose, and courage;
shunning those who tolerate and enable
evil], not as the unwise, but as wise
[sensible, intelligent, discerning people],
making the very most of your time [on
earth, recognizing and taking advantage
of each opportunity and using it with wisdom
and diligence], because the days are
[filled with] evil. Therefore do not be fool-
ish and thoughtless, but understand and
firmly grasp what the will of the Lord is.

Ephesians 5:15-17

If any of you lacks wisdom [to guide him
through a decision or circumstance], he is
to ask of [our benevolent] God, who gives to
everyone generously and without rebuke
or blame, and it will be given to him.

James 1:5

But the wisdom from above is first pure
[morally and spiritually undefiled], then
peace-loving [courteous, considerate],
gentle, reasonable [and willing to listen],
full of compassion and good fruits. It is
unwavering, without [self-righteous]
hypocrisy [and self-serving guile].

James 3:17

Be strong and courageous, do not be afraid or tremble in dread before them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not fail you or abandon you.”

Deuteronomy 31:6

The wicked flee when no one pursues them,
But the righteous are as bold as a lion.

Proverbs 28:1

‘Do not fear [anything], for I am with you; Do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, be assured I will help you; I will certainly take hold of you with My righteous right hand [a hand of justice, of power, of victory, of salvation].’

Isaiah 41:10

And when they had prayed, the place where they were meeting together was shaken [a sign of God’s presence]; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak the word of God with boldness and courage.

Acts 4:31

Since we have such a [glorious] hope and confident expectation, we speak with great courage,

2 Corinthians 3:12

For God did not give us a spirit of timidity or cowardice or fear, but [He has given us a spirit] of power and of love and of sound judgment and personal discipline [abilities that result in a calm, well-balanced mind and self-control].

2 Timothy 1:7

So we take comfort and are encouraged and confidently say, “The Lord is my Helper [in time of need], I will not be afraid. What will man do to me?” How do you maintain the same mind as Christ in the midst of disagreement?

Hebrews 13:6

UNITY

How does unity and peace lead to spiritual growth?

In what ways do you experience unity?

How do you maintain the same mind as Christ in the midst of disagreement?

What evidence exists that proves you are living in oneness with God and with people?

DIVINE WISDOM

What is the difference between wisdom and understanding?

In what ways does your life prove that you possess divine wisdom?

What role does courage play in divine wisdom?

What does seeking understanding look like for you?

What indications or red flag systems have you set up to alert you to when your spiritual perception/understanding is veering off track? If none or if you are unclear, take time to create a system with at least three check points.

BOLDNESS

What things or situations induce fear in you? Give them to our capable God and rest.

What do you need to feel more confident or to experience a greater level of boldness?

What role does self-control play in boldness?

What do you feel you have lost or fear you will lose out on by being bold about what you believe?

What do people believe about God as a result of how you live your life?