

MEMORY VERSE: PSALM 133 NLT

1 How wonderful and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony!
2 For harmony is as precious as the anointing oil that was poured over Aaron's head, that ran down his beard and onto the border of his robe. 3 Harmony is as refreshing as the dew from Mount Hermon that falls on the mountains of Zion. And there the Lord has pronounced his blessing, even life everlasting.

*****Remember to listen to this week's sermon, review the Sermon Notes Sheet and complete the discussion questions before attending your Connexion Group.**

INTRODUCTION:

The CDC and health departments throughout the nation are all providing information, vaccines and medicines in the wake of this year's flu epidemic. Their goal is to restore health to those who are sick and prevent the virus from spreading any further. As such, The Church must be intentional about addressing contagions which target the Body of Christ. This week's sermon ***"I Am a Member That Keeps the Body Healthy"*** discusses the infections the Church is susceptible to and God's effective treatment plans for maintaining wellness in the Body of Christ.

GROUP LESSON DISCUSSION

1. What was most helpful, encouraging, or challenging from this week's sermon?
2. What did Paul mean when he said in Colossians 3:14 that love is the perfect bond of unity?

What does that mean for the local church today?

3. What is the best path to take if someone brings gossip to you in your church?

What does Romans 1:28-29 NLT & Proverbs 26:20 NLT say about the nature of gossip?

4. How is forgiveness related to unity in the local church?

What does Ephesians 4:31-32 NLT say about forgiving one another?

Look at Matthew 6:14–15. Relate those words to being a church member. What does it mean if one church member does not forgive another?

5. In 1 Corinthians 13 Paul wrote the "love chapter" to the church at Corinth where problems with unity were pervasive.

What does this chapter mean for church members today? Explain as you go through each verse."