

## **“WE’RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER!”**

**Malachi 2:10** – Don’t we all come from one Father? Aren’t we all created by the same God? So why can’t we get along? Why do we desecrate the covenant of our ancestors that binds us together? (MSG)



*As I’ve grown in age and in wisdom, I’ve discovered through keen observation that Satan has infiltrated the camp and seriously polluted the minds of Christian sisters and brothers into believing that they are at odds with one another and in competition against each other. Satan wants you to think that you have enmity among one another. That is Satan’s job – to steal, kill and destroy. He keeps dissention, discord, disdain and doubt at the forefront of your relationships in order to keep you distracted, disgruntled, dissatisfied and disagreeable. That way nothing will ever get done! He already knows that if the Saints would ever totally unify themselves and truly understand that they are one family with one purpose and one goal, greater works would be going forth in a mighty way throughout the Kingdom of God!*

*There is urgency in Christendom to come together as one universal church in this 21<sup>st</sup> Century. No one individual is more important in the body of Christ than another. I Corinthians 1:4 & 12 says that there are diversities of gifts but the same Spirit which should operate within the body of Christ. No one gift is greater than another. They are all great in the Kingdom! It goes on to say for as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body being many, are one body. Paul reminds the church of Corinth that even though there be many members, it is yet one body only; and that God hath set the members every one of them in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another. In other words, when one member suffers, all suffer with it; or one member be honored, all rejoice with it.*

*Romans 12:4 & 5 says, “For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.” This means that you, who make up the body of Christ, are many but you all have different gifts and functionality. You all are needed to work together for one common goal and purpose. Everybody is not gifted to do the same thing. It takes all of you to build the Kingdom. It should not make a difference if you were not the person who brought an idea for an event, project or ministry to the body, you should all be striving for unity and strength. That means work with whoever is in charge – whether or not you like that person. It’s not about you; it’s about the Kingdom!*

*In the body of Christ, there should be no Big “I’s” or little “u’s”. The word “together” is defined as -- into or in one gathering; into or in union; into or in relationship, association, business, or agreement, *etc.*; taken or considered collectively or *conjointly*; (of a single thing) into or in a condition of unity, compactness, or *coherence*. When you come together in one place and one accord, touching and agreeing on the same thing, God promises to be in the midst. God will NOT bless your mess! He’s expecting you to put your personal differences and your personal agendas aside and walk together in unity and work together in harmony as you do justice and show mercy towards others. He wants you to develop your relationship with him, yourself, each other, your community and your environment. That’s the only way the church is going to be able to make an impact and lead transformational change in our family, our church, our community and our world.*

*Let me remind you that you were made in the image and likeness of God the Father, which means you were created to live out the true meaning of Christianity by engaging one another with a heart of God. You have been adopted into the royal family; joint heirs with Christ. You are family! And in the family there will be times when you won’t agree with one another, but you don’t stop loving that family member. You are to operate in the Spirit of Christ – your task is to bring blessings to the people of the world. Your mission as a Christ-follower is to proclaim and live out the liberating message of the good news of Christ’s Kingdom.*

*It is very critical that you understand it’s not about you; it’s about God and all that we do in love and unity! It’s all about your being elevated to a position of power and prestige but that Jesus the Christ, and Him crucified, be lifted up so that all men will come. Never forget . . . We’re all in this together!*

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