

Dwelling in Unity
Psalm 133

I. Review

- A. Christian Unity feels good and radiates its essence to others, just like aromatic anointing oil
- B. Christian Unity spreads out like oil does, extending its effects to all parts of the Body of Christ
- C. Christian Unity refreshes us and permeates all parts of our lives with love, like the dew that covers the ground
- D. Jesus Christ is the blessing God gave on Mount Zion – He is the One Who unites the Church and fills us with His Spirit

II. Go further – read John 13:1-38

- A. How does Jesus express His love for His disciples in verses 1-5?
- B. Why do you think it was an important visual symbol for Jesus to wear the towel He used to clean the disciples' feet?
- C. Why do you think Peter was initially reluctant for Jesus to wash his feet? Why might we be hesitant to expose our sins to Jesus?
- D. Peter next wants Jesus to wash more than just his feet. Why did Jesus say this was a mistake? How do we underestimate the power of Christ's cleansing forgiveness in our lives?
- E. What did Jesus expect His disciples to learn from His example?
- F. From verses 2, 11, and 18, we understand that Jesus knew Judas would betray Him that night. But Judas doesn't leave the table until verse 30. Why do you think it is significant that Jesus washed Judas' feet, knowing what he would do?
- G. What is the new commandment Jesus gives in verse 34?
- H. What connection does Jesus make in verse 35 between the way Christians treat each other and the spread of the gospel to non-believers?
- I. In verse 38, what does Jesus tell Peter will happen that night? Why do you think it is significant that Jesus washed Peter's feet, knowing what he would do?

III. Apply

- A. What are some ways that you can demonstrate the love and unity of the Body of Christ to people who aren't yet part of the Church?
- B. How can we follow Jesus' example of service to others?
- C. In what concrete ways can we obey the commandment Jesus gives us in verse 34?