

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN F E L L O W S H I P

The Living ONE

God **IS** One – **Mark 12:29**

We **are** One with Him – **John 17:20-23**

What does that look like?

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Sanctity of Human Life – **Why?**

Every person is made in the image & likeness of God...

For life completely shared in **oneness with God**

Sin violates and separates that oneness

- There may be no greater time of violation than these times

Christ Jesus came to restore the oneness...

To heal us of separation from God (**John 1:12**)

- It is a crime against Him to **not believe Him**
- It is an eternal crime to **maintain separation from Him**
- **It is death to not** reject our separation and **receive Him**

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Christmas is a Great Story!

The story is **About Jesus!** It is **HIS** Story!

- It continues through His life, death, burial, resurrection & ascension
- His story continues with His disciples...

- And continues on to include us... now, and forever

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He (**The ONE**) remains **Emmanuel – God With Us**

Matthew 28:20, “And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Acts 1:8, “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and **you will be My** witnesses (**a record**) in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

- There is no time, place or activity **He is not here to live with us...**
- And no time, place or activity **we should not live with Him**

I Corinthians 10:31, “So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.”

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The story (now our story) **is still about Jesus** – His & ours **as One**

- He doesn't continue His without us
- We don't have One without Him...
- Each of us, and all of us together

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When we think of daily life... do we think of us living here on earth...

And God living elsewhere... in heaven?

Three big lies have crept into Christian faith:

- We are **NOT** united with Him as **ONE** (as He and The Father are)

- Our redeemed life is primarily **“Me & Jesus”**
- Spiritual life is **“Spiritual things”, separate from daily life**
(Extraordinary experiences)

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**1) If we don't believe we are ONE with Christ and The Father...
We won't live like we are (John 17:20-23)**

**2) If we live as primarily only “Me & Jesus”...
We'll be separated from His fullness (I Corinthians 12)**

**3) If we live as if Spiritual life and daily life are different...
We will sacrifice the power and joy God intends for our life with Him**

John 15:10, “These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full.” (As Vine & branches)

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The first Adam (before sin), and the last Adam – Jesus...

Both lived fully human, daily lives on earth...

With God and other people.

- The first Adam **had no idea what sin is**
- Jesus **had no sin**
- Every aspect of life was **an act of worship – interactive with God**
(Just as God intended it to be)

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Jesus came to “Re-inhabit nature” to the full...

And give it back to us.

If our lives as “a record of who Jesus is” separate daily from Spiritual...

We can't even invite people into the fullness of His life with us...

- **We can't give what we don't have (Acts 3:6)**

- **And we are all robbed of His real story (Us, others and The Lord)**

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Sometimes we alter how we live according to who we're with

- **Workplace requirements, safeguarding others (I Corinthians 8)**

There are no times to alter our lives as if Christ is not with us

He frees us to live In Him, and Him in us...

Free from the sin of Adam... He is dead. (Romans 5 & 6)

Leave him there, and enjoy Christ's life in all of life!