

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

Helping To Become How & With Who?

Romans 8:29 results in **His influence** through us

- Light, Salt & Leaven
- On purpose, not passively
- Surrendered, submitted & subject to
- His Holy Spirit
- As interdependent individuals
(**I Corinthians 12:12-27**)

How & With Who?

- **Like Him, with Each other**

Jesus left us **two things** to become conformed to His image:

- Something to **DO** & Something to **GIVE**

What are we to **DO Together** in His image?

- **Love**

How?

- **By Demonstration**

John 13:34-35, "A new command I give you: Love one another. **As I have loved you, so you must love one another.** By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Romans 5:8, "God **demonstrates** his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Matthew 5:16,

"Let your light so shine before men, **that they may see your good works** and glorify your Father in heaven."

Real Love isn't warm sentiment

- It's **Interactive**

What are we to **GIVE Together** in His image?

John 14:27, "Peace I leave with you; **My peace I give to you.** Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."

John 16:33, "I have said these things to you, that **in Me you may have peace.** In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

John 17:20-23 (Four times – **That we may be One**)

- **Vs. 21**, "that **they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You;** that they also may be one in Us"

John 20:21, "Jesus said to them again, "**Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.**"

What did He give us to **have & give** like Him?

- **Absolute relational safety & security!**
- Actually... **Restored** relational safety & security

Why does it need to be restored?

- Because **it's been violated!**
- With God... and **each other**

How does it become violated among us?

- Self-righteousness & gossip

God's people judge, condemn, slander & reject each other

- Over issues that are **NOT** sin
- And Demonstrate **NOT** Oneness!
- **Your opinion** is not God's standard of righteousness

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James 3:3-12, I Corinthians 13:1-8 & Galatians 5:22-26

1983 – Two encounters that changed my life

- **An unexpected ally**, "What are you going to do with him?"
- **A heavenly vision**, a recognition I'll decline

"Get Used To Different"