

What Christians Are Commanded To Have In Common?

⇒ Intro:

- The last week we looked at several things the scriptures tells us that the each Christian has in common.
- Then at the end of our study we asked the question.
 - If Christians have all these things in common then what do we get along.
 - Why is there so much conflict in churches and between individual Christians?
- This morning we are going to answer that question by looking at some things that Christians are commanded by the Word of God to have in common.
 - I believe that the reason there is so much conflicts in our churches and between individual Christians even though they have many things in common-
 - Is because for the most part Christians are not being obedient to the commands of the scriptures to have certain things in common.
- Let together look at some things that we are commanded by the scriptures to have in common.
 - You notice the word “same” is included in each of this commands.
 - Indicating that each Christian should be identical the practice of each.

⇒ **I. The Same Mind**

- **Romans 12:16**, “Be of the **same mind** one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.”

⇒ **II. The Same Love**

- **Phil. 2:2**, “Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the **same love**, being of one accord, of one mind.”

⇒ **III. The Same Rule**

- **Phil. 3:16**, “Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the **same rule**, let us mind the same thing.”

⇒ **IV. Speak The Same Thing**

- **I Cor. 1:10**, “Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all **speak the same thing**, and that there be no divisions among you;...”

⇒ **V. Same Judgment (in judging things)**

- **I Cor. 1:10**, “...but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the **same judgment**.”
- Why we to be “perfectly joined together in the **same mind**”
 - So can make the same judgment

⇒ **VI. Same Walk (in the Spirit)**

- **2 Cor. 12:18**, “I desired Titus, and with him I sent a brother. Did Titus make a gain of you? **walked we not in the same spirit?** walked we not in the **same steps?**”

⇒ **Conclusion:**

- So we have seen as Christians we are commanded to:
 - Be of the same mind
 - Have the same love
 - Walk by the same rule
 - Speak the same thing
 - Perfectly joined together in the same judgment
 - Have the same walk or same steps
- When Christians practice these things then there will be unity and harmony in the church and between Christians.
- My friend are you being obedient to these commands?