



Make
Love
Not
War

God is grieved when

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broken relationships
are not reconciled.**



The Ministry of Reconciliation



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- It consists of exercising influence out of personal integrity.



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Addresses the most...

profound

and

painful

...areas of our lives.



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Grace + Truth + Trust = **Reconciliation**



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extend
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extend Grace + *define* Truth + Trust = Reconciliation



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extend Grace + *define* Truth + *build* Trust = Reconciliation



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*... 'where enmity
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Church

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ek: 'out from and to'

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...a people called out
of the world and to God

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assembly, gathering

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a gathering of citizens called
out from their homes into
some public place;
an assembly; *Acts 19:39*

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fellowship of believers

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Koinonia'

(lit: partnership) sharing in, communing with,
spiritual fellowship.

What is *shared in common* is the basis
of *fellowship (partnership, community)*:

our common humanity

and our common faith in a risen Savior.

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Acts 2:42

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship (*koinonia*'), to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

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'Family of God'

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II Corinthians 6: 18

"...I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me," says the Lord Almighty.

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Ephesians 2:18-19

For through Him (*Jesus*) we both have access
in one Spirit to the Father.

So then you are no longer strangers and
aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the
saints and members of the household of God,

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'Body of Christ'

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Romans 12:3-5

3 For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.

4 For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function,

5 so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

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I Corinthians 12:12-13

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body— Jews and Greeks, slaves and free— and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

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Ephesians 4

- 1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called,
- 2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love,
- 3 eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- 4 There is one body and one Spirit--just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call--
- 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
- 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.
- 7 But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.



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- 11** And He gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers,
- 12** to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,
- 13** until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,
- 14** so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.
- 15** Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ,
- 16** from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.



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Church, the Family of God, the Body of Christ



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Grace



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Grace + Truth



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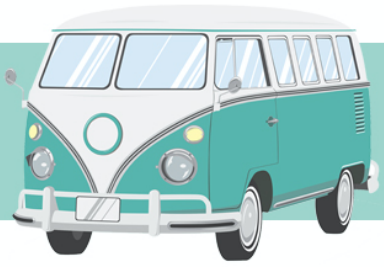


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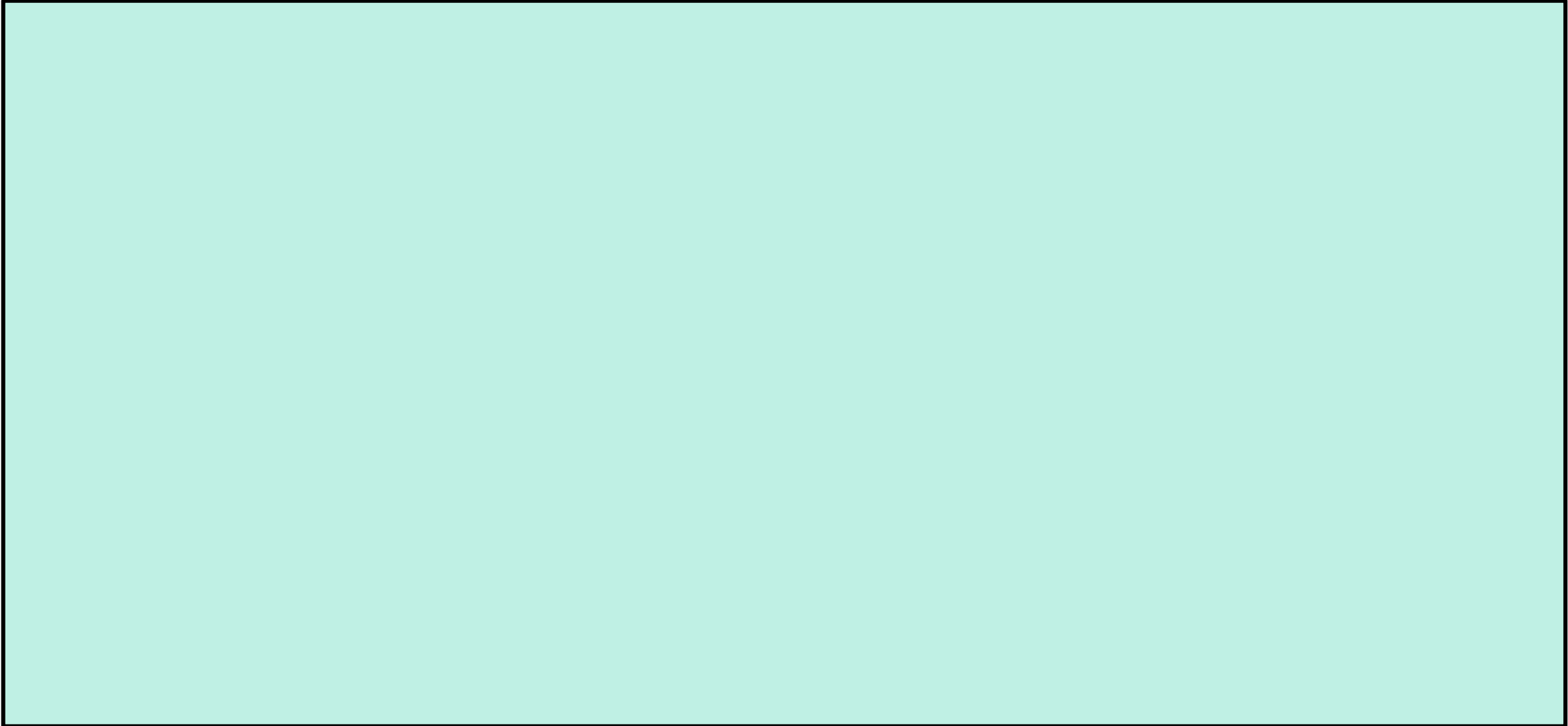
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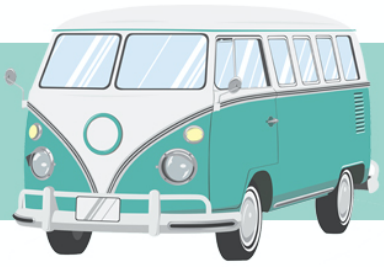
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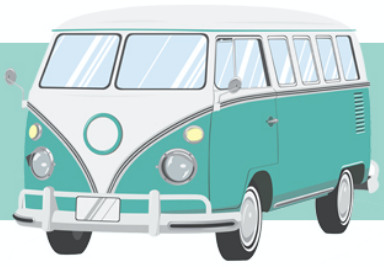
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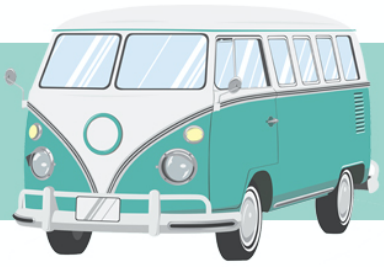
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**Stop making an idol out of
church and its leadership.**



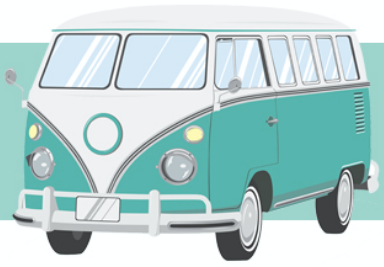
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Stop belittling one another with contempt
by holding onto grudges,
maintaining misunderstandings,
denying forgiveness,
or demanding your own '*self-rightness*'
(self-righteousness).



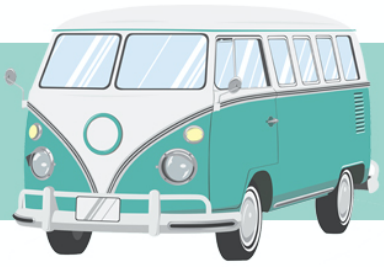
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Reject the all too common
consumer mindset
of church and adopt an
investor mindset.



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**Value the people around you as you
would your own family.**



So...therefore...what now?

Let's join together
in honoring the Head of the body
and His role in directing each part of the body
so that we move as a unified and coordinated
whole that builds itself up in love.

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Communion



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...is where the pieces of relationships that were once broken apart become 'reconciled'.



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