

# I Am a Church Member: I Will Be a Unifying Church Member

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Text: Ephesians 4:1-3 I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, <sup>2</sup> with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup> endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

## Point 1 – Known by your love for one another.

Reference verses: John 13:34-35

1. Why is Jesus' commandment to love one another a new commandment?

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## Point 2 – Gossip and other negative talk.

Reference verses: Romans 1:28-32

2. What is righteousness, and why is it so important?

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Reference verses: James 3:6; 1 Peter 3:10

3. Why is it so important to learn to control our tongues?

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## Point 3 – Forgiveness and unity.

Reference verses: Matthew 6:14-15; Colossians 3:12-13

4. How does forgiveness help promote unity in the church?

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Read [“One with Christ in God”](#), *Testimonies for the Church, vol. 8*, 239-243. (You can read this online by clicking the link.)

5. What chapter in the Bible should be a key focus if are to be a unifying church member?

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6. In what ways does this selected reading challenge your thoughts and ideas about the importance of church unity?

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**Conclusion:**

7. Will you be a unifying church member?

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8. If yes, how will you be a unifying church member?

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