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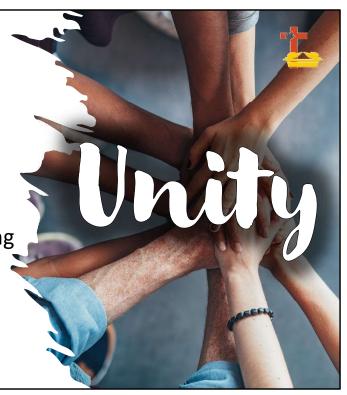
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- 1. Unity
- 2. People of God
- 3. Blessings
- 4. Aaron
- 5. Oil & dew
- 6. Hermon
- 7. Mount Zion

- A song of ascents
- Climbing up toward the house of God
- Seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.
  Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. *Colossians 3:1-2*



One important thing that God want to work within our journey of faith is **UNITY**!

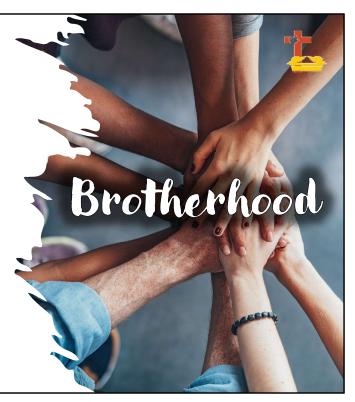
The biggest dream to accomplish with the most difficult challenge to overcome.

**UTOPIA**: an imagined place or state of things in which everything is perfect.

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We are not meant to only dwell with God in His dwelling place.

It will be super awesome to dwell in His presence alone. But that's not His plan.

He wants us to go up in togetherness, to climb up in togetherness, to walk the journey of faith in togetherness, to dwell together with the brother and sister in Christ in togetherness, in **unity**.

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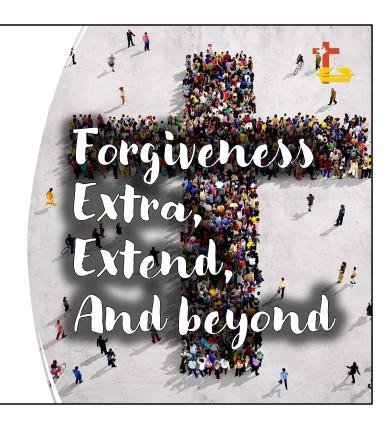
We all are called the children of God. So we all are **brother** and sister in Christ!

Yes it's true that our brother and sister in Christ are **not perfect**, yet we are still brother and sister and we must walk together!

At this moment, church is not a perfect atmosphere. But hang in there, because the church will keep growing to its perfect beauty!

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- The Corinthians
- Euodia & Syntyche
- Paul & John Mark
- Abraham & Lot
- Joseph & his brothers



We need forgiveness at all the time! In marriage, family, brotherhood, sisterhood, church, body of Christ, daily life, neighourghood, community.

1Cor.1:12-13 <sup>12</sup> Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." <sup>13</sup> Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

**1Cor.6:6-7** But brother goes to law against brother, and that before unbelievers! Now therefore, it is already an utter failure for you that you go to law against one another. Why do you not rather accept wrong? Why do you not rather let yourselves be cheated?

**Phil.4:2-3** I implore Euodia and I implore Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. And I urge you also, true companion, help these women who labored with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and the rest of my fellow

workers, whose names are in the Book of Life.

Ac.15:37-41 <sup>37</sup> Now Barnabas was determined to take with them John called Mark. <sup>38</sup> But Paul insisted that they should not take with them the one who had departed from them in Pamphylia, and had not gone with them to the work. <sup>39</sup> Then the contention became so sharp that they parted from one another. And so Barnabas took Mark and sailed to Cyprus; <sup>40</sup> but Paul chose Silas and departed, being commended by the brethren to the grace of God. <sup>41</sup> And he went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.

**2Tim.4:11** Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful to me for ministry.

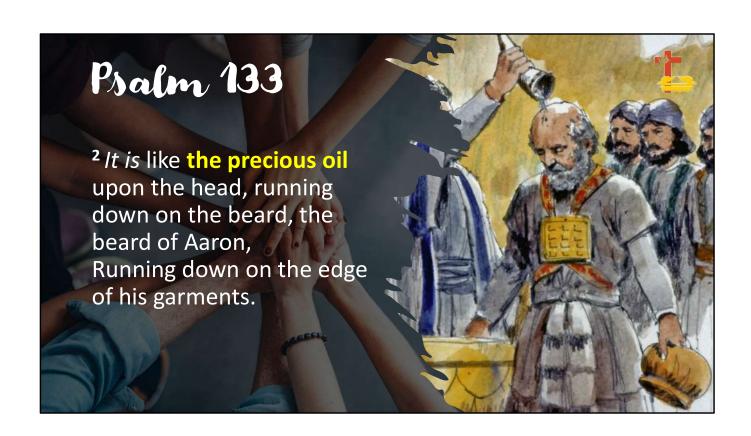
**Gen.13:8-9** <sup>8</sup> So Abram said to Lot, "Please let there be no strife between you and me, and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen; for we *are* brethren. <sup>9</sup> Is not the whole land before you? Please separate from me. If you take the left, then I will go to the right; or, if you go to the right, then I will go to the left." **nephew & uncle** 

Abraham keep praying for Lot, make the intercession.

Samuel said: **1Sam.12:23** Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord in **ceasing to pray for you**; but I will teach you the good and the right way.

**Gen.50:20-21** <sup>20</sup> But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is

this day, to save many people alive. <sup>21</sup> Now therefore, do not be afraid; I will provide for you and your little ones." And he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

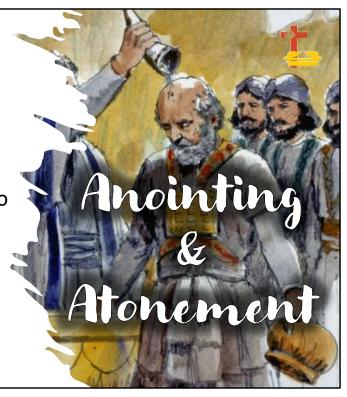


#### Precious Oil

#### **EXODUS 30**

<sup>30</sup> And you shall **anoint** Aaron and his sons, and **consecrate** them, that they may minister to Me **as priests**.

31 "And you shall speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'This shall be **a holy anointing oil** to Me throughout your generations.



This is not just a perfume, this is **the oil of anointing**! It was a holy prescription! No one allowed to copy the composition.

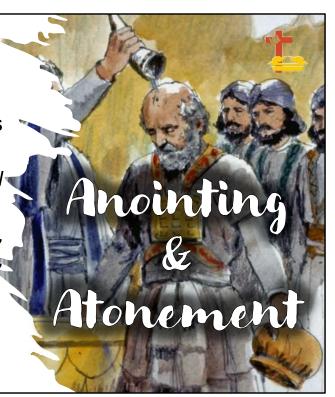
<sup>32</sup> It shall not be poured on man's flesh; nor shall you make *any other* like it, according to its composition. It *is* holy, *and* it shall be holy to you. <sup>33</sup> Whoever compounds *any* like it, or whoever puts *any* of it on an outsider, shall be cut off from his people.'

### Precious Oil

Priest – atonement - forgiveness

So the **priest** shall make **atonement** for them, and it shall be **forgiven** them.

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light **1Pet.2:9** 



10 times in Leviticus & 2 times in Numbers.

<sup>3</sup> It is like the dew of **Hermon**, Descending upon the mountains of **Zion**; For there the LORD commanded the **blessing—Life forevermore**.





Mount Hermon (or "sacred mountain") is the highest mountain in ancient Israel, boasting majestic, snowcapped peaks rising just over 9,000 feet above the sea. Mount Hermon may have been the site of Jesus Christ's transfiguration.

Known today by its Arabic name, Jabal el-Shaiykh, meaning "snowy mountain," Mount Hermon's three distinct peaks are covered with snow most of the year.

Visible from great distances, the mountain range is nearly 30 miles in length and about 15 miles wide. Mount Hermon is located at the **northeastern boundary** of Israel, on the border between Syria and Lebanon. Along with melting snow and the abundant rainfall on Mount Hermon, large springs at the base of the mountain form the main headwaters of the Jordan River.

Mount Hermon marked **the northern limits** of the Promised Land conquered by Joshua

https://www.gotquestions.org/mount-Hermon.html

From Hermon to Zion, this is not something that happen physically. It has a spiritual meaning.

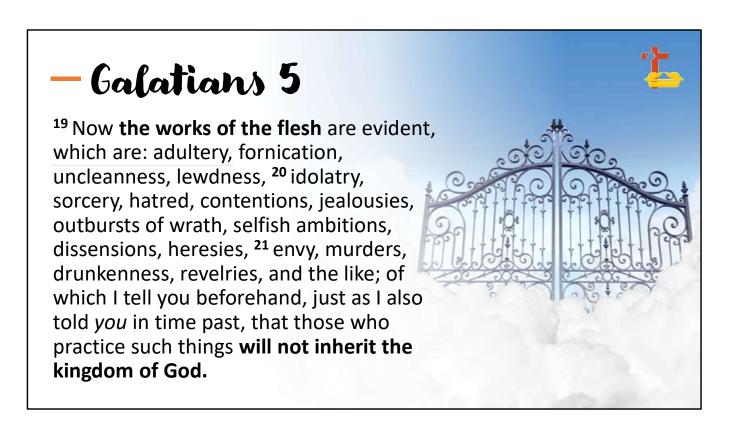
**Num.11:9** And when the dew fell on the camp in the night, the manna fell on it.

**Deut.33:28** Then Israel shall dwell in safety, the fountain of Jacob alone, in a land of grain and new wine; His heavens shall also drop dew.

The heart of unity will bring down the blessing from heaven!

As they walked toward Zion to worship God, the dew of Hermon, the dew of the sanctuary, descending upon them, and truly that is blessing, the true life, a vibrant & eternal life, life in the perfect unity within the love of God. Heaven is a place where we can not try to avoid one another. We can not hide anything in the presence of God.

**Heb.4:13** And there is **no creature hidden** from His sight, but **all things are naked and open** to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.



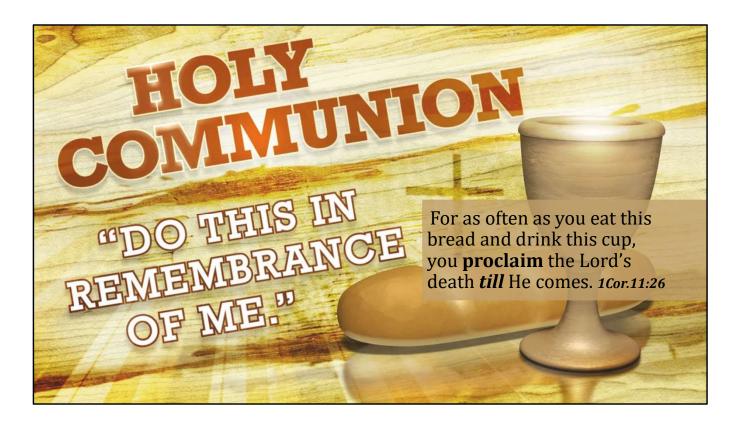
**Colossians 3:14** But above all these things put on love, which is **the bond of perfection**.

# -Ephesians 1

<sup>7</sup> In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace

<sup>8</sup> which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, <sup>9</sup> having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, <sup>10</sup> that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might **gather together in one** all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.





A friendly reminder for all of us: Holy Communion is only for those who already baptised in the water. If there is anyone want to commit their life in Jesus, receiving Jesus as the Saviour in their life, please feel free to call us the pastoral team so that we can help you with that commitment and go together with you in that journey of faith and prepare for the water baptism.

Dan sekedar mengingatkan kembali bagi kita semua, bahwa Perjamuan Kudus hanya untuk yang sudah dibaptiskan dalam air. Kalau ada yang mau menyerahkan hidupnya di dalam Tuhan Yesus, menerima Tuhan Yesus sebagai Juru Selamat dalam hidupmu, silahkan menghubungi tim penggembalaan, sehingga kami dapat menolong Saudara dengan komitmen itu dan berjalan bersama-sama dengan Saudara dalam perjalanan iman dan mempersiapkan Saudara untuk baptisan air.

#### **1CORINTHIANS** 11:23-25

The Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; This is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood.
This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Mari kita dengarkan Firman Allah. Terima kasih Tuhan Yesus. Haleluya! 1Korintus 11:23-25 berkata:

Tuhan Yesus, pada malam waktu la diserahkan, mengambil roti dan sesudah itu la mengucap syukur atasnya; la memecah-mecahkannya dan berkata: "Inilah tubuh-Ku, yang diserahkan bagi kamu; perbuatlah ini menjadi peringatan akan Aku!"

Haleluya! Terima kasih Tuhan Yesus.

Saudara saudari yang terkasih di dalam Tuhan Yesus Kristus, bukankah roti yang telah kita pecahpecahkan bersama ini, roti yang telah kita berkati bersama ini, bukankah roti ini adalah persekutuan di dalam tubuh Yesus Kristus Tuhan?

Haleluya! Terima kasih Tuhan Yesus. Mari memakan dengan ucapan syukur.

Terima kasih Tuhan Yesus. Haleluya!

Terima kasih untuk pengorbanan-Mu, terima kasih untuk cinta-Mu, terima kasih untuk pribadi-Mu, terima kasih untuk tubuh-Mu yang telah diserahkan bagi kami, sehingga kami dapat hidup dalam hidup yang baru, sebagai ciptaan yang baru. Dan itu semua karena cinta-Mu.

Terima kasih Tuhan Yesus.

Mari kita pegang cawan dengan tangan kanan kita, dan mari mengangkat tangan kanan kita tinggi, dan mari dengar Firman Allah.

Haleluya! Terima kasih Tuhan Yesus.

Demikian juga la mengambil cawan, sesudah makan, lalu berkata: "Cawan ini adalah perjanjian baru yang dimeteraikan oleh darah-Ku; perbuatlah ini, setiap kali kamu meminumnya, menjadi peringatan akan Aku!"

Haleluya!

Saudara saudari yang terkasih di dalam Tuhan Yesus Kristus, bukankah cawan yang telah kita berkati bersama ini, cawan perjanjian yang baru, cawan berkat yang baru, bukankah cawan ini adalah persekutuan di dalam darah Yesus Kristus Tuhan? Haleluya! Amin.

#### John 15:4-5, 1Corinthians 11:23-25, 1Corinthians 10:16-17

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

... The Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; This is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread.

The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?

In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ?



