

## We are One Conference

God gives us His Glory to enable us to be one

**John 17:20** “My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, **21** that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. **22** I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— **23** I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

**24** “Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

Glory is the manifest presence of God. It is also a good reputation so that the world would know that the Father sent Jesus.

Jesus gave us His manifest presence so we may be one.

He enables us to be ONE....He gives us the power (dunamis power) enabling and equipping us to be one flesh....

It is not of ourselves – it’s a supernatural enabling

And the reverse is also true when we live in harmony – the precious anointing flows.

**Psalms 133:1** How wonderful and pleasant it is. when brothers live together in harmony! **2** For harmony is as precious as the anointing oil. that was poured over Aaron’s head,

Walking in unity and in the fold requires faith and maturity

You cannot be ONE with other believers without understanding faith

Being ONE with others takes maturity to see others through the eyes of faith and also seeing yourself through the eyes of faith.

- Self belief and self love

For me to fulfill my purpose I am going to need to walk with others in unity.

1. Starting a church – locking arms with women of faith

When we started the church- literally all hell broke loose and I realized I was ill prepared for such a spiritual battle- I knew I needed reinforcement – so I immediately got a group together on whats app to start interceding for us as a family and as a church – they were women in another country....they were women of faith and intercessors.

Now we have transitioned to a prayer group made up of members in our group.

And this principle has seeped deeper and deeper into my spirit in the last two years. Starting with being one in the sheepfold God placed us in and then with other communities of believers around us...

2. Going through difficult times in our marriage- sharing with the right people – being vulnerable
3. Being one with my husband and living purpose with him has taken me to another level- the two has become one flesh
4. Seeing Liam through every stage of his little life- I walked with women that were going through the same journey
5. Pioneering the conference God started connecting us with other churches and groups of believers.

Nicole truly models for me connection in the body and as I saw her do it it spoke really deeply to me.

Donna too impacted me in how she champions others with so much encouragement to keep running the race

In reaching out to those God lays on your heart to reach out to no everyone will reciprocate:

1. Not everyone will have the function to run with you – and that's ok- as you obey God's voice the right people will run beside you- even if God tells you to connect with certain individuals if they distrust you the issue doesn't necessarily lie with you. It may be their issue- but you're not judged on their heart you are judged on yours.
2. You want be accepted by everyone- keep your heart pure in connecting- and from your heart remain one – even if they don't reciprocate know that **YOUR DESTINY IS NOT DEPENDENT ON THEIR RESPONSE ITS DEPENDANT ON YOUR SEED**

## **We are One – We are part of the body - Every believer**

**John 15:5** “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. **6** If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw *them* into the fire, and they are burned. **7** If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. **8** By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.

## **Love and Joy Perfected**

**9** “As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. **10** If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love.

**11** “These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and *that* your joy may be full. **12** This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. **13** Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one’s life for his friends.

1. He is the vine we are the branches – the branches are connected.....they are only going to get stronger through true connection- I have to stay connected...To Him and to the other branches
2. The sheep are a part of the fold- they find security and identity in the fold- our identity is in Christ Jesus and as we walk in the fold we discover more of our true identity...even if that discovery comes through hurts in the fold- if through persecution and through trials in the fold we gain maturity and perspective
3. **Synergy happens** when we walk with like minded sheep in the fold
4. There can’t be true connection without vulnerability or walking in truth. Not your truth but God’s truth

This is the standard of God’s word- is absolute truth

## **Confusion comes when you don’t walk in truth.... Truth brings clarity!!!**

This is where I am at

How do I get from HERE to God’s word

1. Take responsibility and admit that you are falling short
2. Then repent! Turn around- change of heart, mind and change of direction- unless you repent God cannot intervene

You must want to change!!! Are you not sick and tired of being sick and tired???

3. Pray for God's grace to enable you to keep walking in truth and He will help you to keep walking in His truth

We need to care for our sheep- because we are one

### **John 21:15**

So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?"

He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You."

He said to him, "Feed My lambs."

**16** He said to him again a second time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?"

He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You."

He said to him, "Tend My sheep."

**17** He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?"

And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You."

Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep."

### **Matthew 25:31-46**

**Sheep are mentioned more than any other animal in the bible**

#### **The Sheep and the Goats**

**31** "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. **32** All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. **33** He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

**34** "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. **35** For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, **36** I needed clothes

and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

**37** "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? **38** When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? **39** When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

**40** "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

**41** "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. **42** For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, **43** I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'

**44** "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'

**45** "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'

**46** "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life,

The analogy of the sheep's and the goats

Sheep – love their shepherd and they yield to His voice. Their hearts are yielded to His guidance, they love His discipline cause they feel safe with Him. As long as He is there they are ok.

Sheep find comfort in the sheep fold- it's where they are meant to be- they do not pull rank to show how distinguished they are. They are happy to be one of the sheep.

Goats are independent. They are stubborn...it is more difficult to herd goats.

Able was the keeper of the sheep. God the Father cares about the sheep

Father God has called us to be shepherds as well as be sheep.

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat,

Man will not live by bread alone

Man shall not live by bread alone but by every word

I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,

If you drink from me you will thirst no more

I was a stranger and you invited me in,

Preach the gospel

**36** I needed clothes and you clothed me,

Clothed in righteousness

I was sick and you looked after me,

Pray for the sick

I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

Deliver the oppressed

**Matthew 28:18** And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. **19** Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,