



"The Unity of the Spirit"



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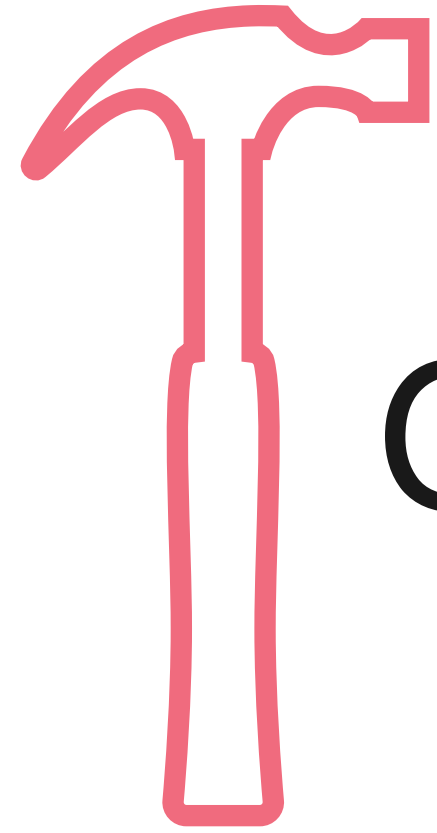


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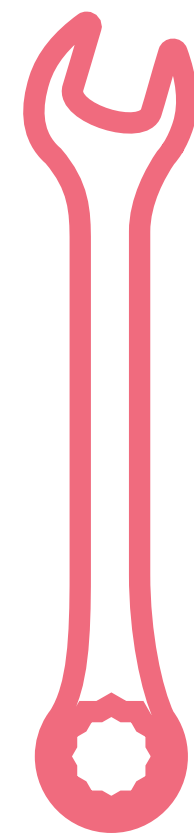


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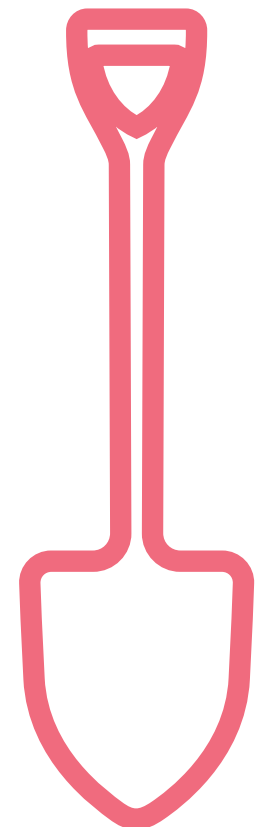
Spirit's WORK: Romans 8.26-27



On our side

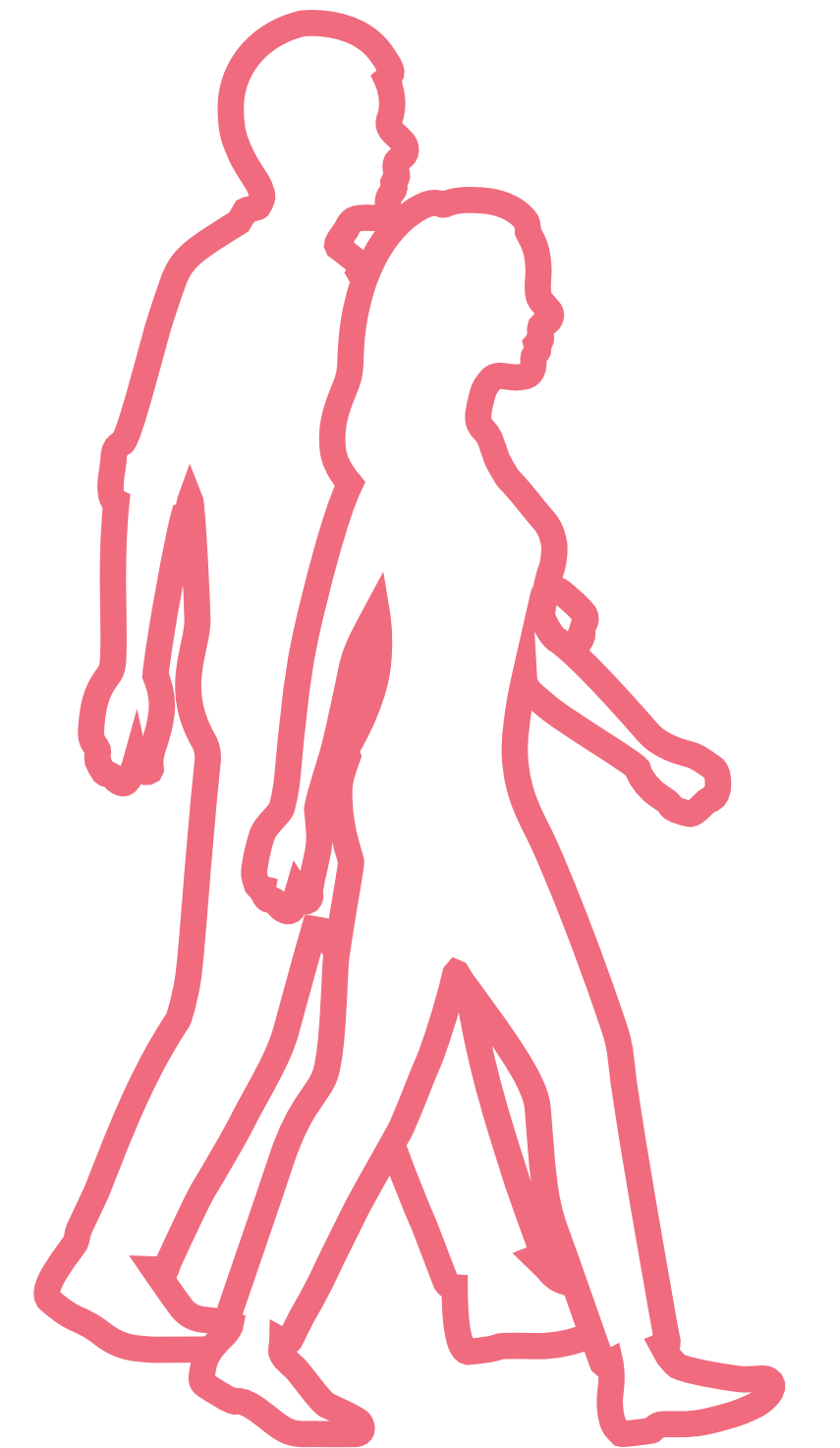



Prays for us



Moves us towards God's will

- Walk Away
- Walk Towards
- Walk With





“Make every effort to keep
the unity of the Spirit through
the bond of peace”

(Ephesians 4:3 NIV11)

1. Pre-Jesus

A. Oneness Enjoyed

B. Oneness Destroyed

C. Oneness Misemployed



2. Jesus

““A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.””

(John 13:34-35 NIV11)



2. Jesus

“...the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.” John 14:17

“Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.”
(John 14:23 NIV11)



2. Jesus

“Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one....My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, 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. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—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.” (John 17)

3. Church

“When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to Samaria.”

(Acts 8:14 NIV11)

3. Church

“..when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticised him and said, “You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them.””

(Acts 11:2-3 NIV11)

3. Church

“Certain people came down from Judea to Antioch and were teaching the believers: “Unless you are circumcised, according to the custom taught by Moses, you cannot be saved.” This brought Paul and Barnabas into sharp dispute and debate with them. So Paul and Barnabas were appointed, along with some other believers, to go up to Jerusalem to see the apostles and elders about this question.” (Acts 15:1-2 NIV11)

4. Ephesians

- “to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfilment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.” (Ephesians 1:10 NIV11)
- Eph. 2:14 ¶ For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,
- Eph. 2:15 by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace,
- Eph. 2:16 and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.
- Eph. 2:18 For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.
- Eph. 3:6 This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.
- Eph. 4:4-6 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.
- “until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.” (Ephesians 4:13 NIV11)
- Eph. 5:31 “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”



4. Ephesians

- Eph. 1:13 And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,
- Eph. 1:17 I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.
- Eph. 2:18 For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.
- Eph. 2:22 And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.
- Eph. 3:5 which was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets.
- Eph. 3:16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being,
- Eph. 4:3 Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.
- Eph. 4:4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called;
- Eph. 4:30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.
- Eph. 5:18 Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit,
- Eph. 5:19 speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,
- Eph. 6:17 Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.
- Eph. 6:18 And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.



4. Ephesians

- Eph. 2:21-22 In him the whole building is joined **together** and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built **together** to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.
- Eph. 3:6 This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs **together** with Israel, members **together** of one body, and sharers **together** in the promise in Christ Jesus.
- Eph. 4:2 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with **one another** in love.
- Eph. 4:32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving **each other**, just as in Christ God forgave you.
- Eph. 5:19 speaking to **one another** with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,
- Eph. 5:21 Submit to **one another** out of reverence for Christ.



Summmary

The Unity of the Spirit

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1. Initiated

2. Relational

3. Strength

4. Action

Purpose

“until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”

(Ephesians 4:13 NIV11)