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UNITY AND RESTORATION

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I have just read the article entitled, "Is American Protestantism undergoing an Evangelical transformation?" and would like to add my two cents.

I am excited when I hear about believers in Jesus putting aside differences and coming together. In the beginning there was only one church; the one we read about in the New Testament. There were no denominations; in fact, Jesus prayed that all His followers would be united. (See John 17:23.) I am sure many believers long for a time when all believers can be known simply as Christians, and when all man-made labels and teachings will blow away like chaff.

I believe, although not easy, this is possible. All we need to do is agree on what is essential, and discard tradition and opinion.

"Is that all?" I hear you laugh.

Fortunately God spells out much of what is core Christianity. In Ephesians 4:3-6 He tells us maintain unity, and then gives a clear list of essentials. (I encourage all who are serious about unity to look up these verses.)

As long as we can keep Jesus as the only head of the church, the Bible only as His word, and move away from human teachings, then we can and will be united. We can then be salt and light as God intends us to be.

Let's work towards this.

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