

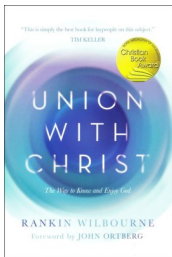
Series: UNIFIED

Title: Appendix

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1. Why did we call this series, Unified? Looking back at the first three chapters, where were the actual or potential fault lines in the unity of the church? Then in the last three chapters, where do we need unity the most in our daily lives? What lessons stand out to you about unity?
2. What's one of your favorite verses in Ephesians?
3. Ephesus was the home of Temple of Artemis, one of the Seven Wonders of the World. In this letter Paul pulls unveils something far more impressive, something cosmic God is building today. What is his greatest project on earth? What do we call it? What is God building today? Practically, how would you describe your role in the project?
4. This weekend Bob took two pieces off the editing floor: a theological truth- we are in Christ, and another about right decisions.



Discuss this quote from the book Bob recommended. "Salvation is not mostly a matter of relocation; it is a matter of transformation. It does not consist primarily of ending up in the right place, but being made into the right person. And this happens when we are immersed in Jesus the way a dolphin is immersed in the ocean, when we are united to Jesus like a bride is united to her groom."

5. Paul describes our relationship with Jesus in a number of ways including, Christ is "in us", Galatians 2:20. Yet his preferred way of describing this is to say that we are in Christ. Some examples:

1- The saints... the faithful *in Christ Jesus*

3- Every spiritual blessing *in Christ*

4- Chose us *in him*

7- *In him* we have redemption

11- *In him* we were chosen

13- Included *in Christ*

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You were marked *in him* with a seal

I think the simplest way to understand "in Christ" is to read it as, "in relationship with Christ". How would you describe or define it?

6. Looking at 1:13 and 4:30, we see that believers are marked in him with a seal. What's that about and how does that make you feel to have a divine mark on your life?
7. What's the difference between making the decision right, and making the right decision?
8. Looking at 1 Corinthians 10:23, what was their mantra in making decisions? What's wrong with that?
9. What are some the 'less best' questions we raise in making a choice?
10. What's the best question we should ask?

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