

## Community Means One in Essence

So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female he created them (Gen 1:26)

Our Father created Man, male and female, and they were to live together in perfect unity. This is His community, as the Father, Word, and Holy Spirit are a community. We are to be ONE as they are ONE. If we understand what "community" is, we see the oneness that must exist to truly be and remain a community. We have to be one as the Father and Son are one.

The Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit are numerically one in nature. Elohim is three distinct persons sharing one nature numerically. Each one is a distinct person, but the three are one in essence. The three distinct persons share the same divine nature, and spiritually they are one in essence. Just as the Son and Father are one in essence, so also are we one in essence.

We have to become like them, in every way. We need to work together in a community, co-workers with Him, in co-unity with one another. The Godhead works together as one, so we must work together as one, of one nature, as one community.

Jn 17:21-23 — We are not separated in any way from community to community. If we are, then that means something has gone wrong; we're no longer a community. We must be one as the Son is one with His Father; we are to be one (which is a community), just as Man — male and female — is one, His community.

Heb 2:10-11; 12:2 — We have to bring out the true, intrinsic qualities within each individual member. We excel through the process of redemption; we are becoming like the Son, the husband of the Bride, and will be the light to the nations. The intrinsic value within each and every person was created in our Father's own image and likeness (2 Cor 5:16-17). We display that oneness, His glory, by putting all His enemies under His feet (Heb 1:13) and doing away with every single thing that so easily divides us (Heb 12:1).

The evil one divides by alienating us from one another as we think WRONG about each other. We have to put these things under our Master's feet to bring in the Shabbat Age, the Seventh Day. The whole world, in the Eighth Day, will be one as our Father intended it in the beginning when He created MAN, male and female.

Gen 1:26 — He is making us those rulers who will bring this about. We need to pray that our Father would protect us from the evil one, and make us work together in unity and oneness, as one man. Then we will show that intrinsic value that each person has in him, which is created in our Father's likeness. You shouldn't think badly of others, and you shouldn't even think badly of yourself. You must think GOOD of yourself, and see others and yourself through the eyes of the One who created you. So then we need to take every thought captive that would want to destroy that value, and thus take our glory away.

Eph 6:17; 2 Cor 10:3-5 — We have learned that we need to do this. Once we have revelation that the enemy can come through our mind, we will take our thoughts captive. If we don't do that, our enemy takes us captive. Every day we need to put our helmet on. Then the schemes of the evil one will be frustrated and his fiery darts will bounce off. If we let him in, we won't enter the Kingdom, because wrong thoughts stop us from loving each other.

So let's surrender to our Master; let's be one and love one another.

Nun — (Acts 2:1, NKJ) The early church was in "one accord," meaning a chord, a life of harmony. All negative, critical, and demeaning thoughts must be taken captive. It tears down the value in us, making us unable to build. Our essence, our character, when strengthened, will make us of "one accord," which is the light to the nations. I don't think anyone has ever overcome the evil one while entertaining negative thoughts about himself or others. We overcome him by taking our stand in the truth, together, and working together to build.

We need to be of the one mind of Messiah, in humility of mind esteeming others as better than ourselves, doing nothing from selfish ambition, which is sin (Phi 2:1-3). Sin is

selfishness. Those who exalt themselves become proud, as they seek their own interests, and not the interests of others. This is not the attitude that was in Messiah. So they become “puffed up,” lacking feeling and sensitivity to the needs of others.

Hakam — Our Father’s Word reflects His heart toward us, bringing out the intrinsic value, our fullest potential, until we become like Messiah Yahshua. This only happens in the Body of Messiah, the Community. We judge every thought by surrendering self-life and clinging to the Word and the Body.

In the world, there is no standard by which to judge our thoughts because everything is based on self-life. You can’t even see the problem. Whenever we stop hearing from Him, we lose our bearings. That is why it is so important to gather twice a day to hear from him.

What is the best time to pray? When you don’t feel like it. He desires to save our souls; He is knocking at the door for entrance; it is our responsibility to let Him in. Iniquities can be turned around into a tool to build with. Anger can be redirected into violence for His will being done (Mt 11:12).

No one will survive as an individual block, no matter his strength. Just piling rocks together doesn’t make them into a wall. It is not enough to just square each rock on all sides and cement it together, either. A true wall has interlocking pieces. That is what makes it strongest. Living together, interacting with one another, hews each one to fit together, giving core strength, being interlocked in unity. It is not the place of the rock to judge what part of it should be removed or not. The goal in our Father’s work is not to make the individual stronger, but to make the WALL (the nation) stronger.

His image is plural, therefore He made community, a plural, corporate Man, which makes us a unique social order, seeing that we bear His image. The Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit had to be ONE when they made Man, right? Our Father will have a people who are one — His community — but not numerically one. We are many people, but we are one in essence. We are His community.