

# Staying Together

Better Together #3 - Pastor Gary Combs - August 22, 2021 - Ephesians 4:25-32

Ephesians 4:25-32 (ESV) <sup>25</sup> Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup> Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup> and give no opportunity to the devil. <sup>28</sup> Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. <sup>29</sup> Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup> And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. <sup>32</sup> Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

## Five Instructions for staying together as one body in Christ:

### 1. Face conflict \_\_\_\_\_.

Ephesians 4:22-24, 2 Corinthians 5:16, Ephesians 4:15

### 2. Handle anger \_\_\_\_\_.

James 1:19-20, Proverbs 14:29

### 3. Work to \_\_\_\_\_.

Hebrews 13:16

### 4. Communicate \_\_\_\_\_.

Colossians 4:6

### 5. Pursue unity \_\_\_\_\_.

Colossians 3:13