



WEDNESDAYS *In the Word* WITH
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The Rarest of Virtues

How wonderful and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony.

Psalm 131:1

O for more of this rare virtue! Not the love which comes and goes, but that which dwells; not that spirit which separates and secludes, but that which dwells together; not that mind which is all for debate and difference, but that which dwells together in unity.

Charles Spurgeon

Unity among God's people is:

- Beautiful
Not everything that is good is pleasant, and not everything that is pleasant is good.
- Costly.
What a sacred thing must brotherly love be when it can be likened to an oil which must never be poured on any man but on the Lord's high-priest alone!"
Charles Spurgeon
- Beautifully fragrant to the world.
Anointing someone was common in the ancient Middle East, it was common to This was done to refresh the one receiving the oil, and to give a good smell from the fragrance that came from the perfumed oils. Among God's people, unity refreshes and makes a pleasant atmosphere for all.
- Sanctifying to God's people
Christ anointed us with the Spirit. We are set apart for purpose... to love and serve those inside and outside the church.
- Refreshing and inspires growth.
The dew was ever the agent of renewal, of refreshment, of fertilizing force: that out of which life was maintained in strength.
G.C Morgan