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BAPTIST CHURCH

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5 Ingredients for Unity (Part 2)

Ephesians 4:2-6

1. Our Heavenly Father is the supreme example of patience. He could deliver justice at any moment and yet He shows patience. Think about God's patience (His patience towards you). What are some things we can learn from His example of patience?

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2. Explain how humility and meekness work together to produce patience. Can one truly be patient if they are not first humble and meek?

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3. As stated in the sermon, patience is endurance that does not abandon hope. When striving to be patient with our brothers and sisters in Christ why must we maintain hope? (Hint: We cannot forget that we are all at different stages of this pilgrimage.)

4. We are called to bear with one another in love. Bearing with one another in love is not passive. It is actively coming alongside one another. Describe some ways we can do this. Why is this ingredient so important for church unity?

5. Application Question: Analyze your life. Are you impatient? We all are at times. Think about your impatience. What is causing it? Is it pride and a lack of humility that is causing you to become impatient? Or maybe you are lacking meekness because you desire to assert yourself and this is causing your impatience. Whatever it may be, ask God this next week to reveal it to you. Spend some time meditating on God's patience towards you. Allow His example of patience to encourage your own patience.