



Welcome

from the KIRKLAND CHURCH FAMILY

Seeking to restore and revive the New Testament church

2023

9/18/22

STEPPING UP SPIRITUALLY.
STEPPING IN RELATIONALLY.
STEPPING OUT EVANGELISTICALLY.

Eph 4:2
NKJV

“Bearing with one
another”

“*Be tolerant* with one another”

“*Forbear* with one another”

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Bearing of Burdens = “Bearing a *back-breaking load of sin.*”

Bearing with another = “Being *tolerant, patient, forgiving.*”

**“FORBEAR WITH ONE
ANOTHER”**

3 Necessary Attributes

Practical Applications



A close-up photograph of a person's hands, wearing a white long-sleeved shirt with ruffled cuffs, gently holding a small potted plant. The plant has several green, oval-shaped leaves and is growing out of a mound of dark brown soil. The background is a soft, out-of-focus white fabric.

SHARING & EDIFICATION

Mar 12 · Sun PM · Ben Keehn

"The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of God stands forever."- Isa 40:8

This is the promise of the Word of God. How do we know that this promise is true? The Dead Sea scrolls stand as a strong testimony that the promise of Isaiah is accurate. Is the Bible we have today the same as what the prophets and apostles wrote? Is there archaeological evidence that validates the scriptures? Yes!

Come and hear an insightful and faith building presentation on The Dead Sea Scrolls - the greatest archaeological discovery of all time. This discovery changed the world forever. The dead sea scrolls were copied about 50 AD and they contain copies of every OT book except Esther, along with the oldest fragments of several NT books. Amazing!

What secrets of history can be unlocked by a study of this discovery?

Join us on March 19th at 10:30 a.m. at the Kirkland Church of Christ. This will be presented by our evangelist, Brent Hunter. A pot luck follows for all who would like to join us after the worship.

For more information go to:
kirklandchurchofchrist.com.



Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
March 19, 2023

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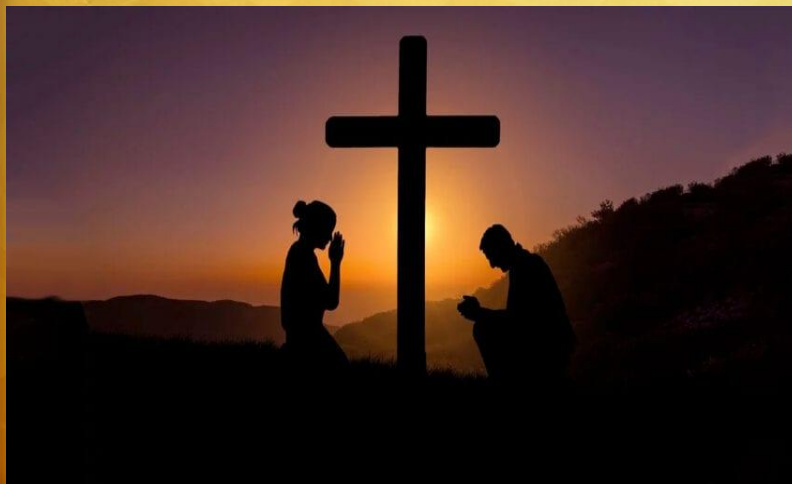
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Eph 4:2 & Col 3:12-13

#1: HUMILITY

– “Humus” = dirt

– *Dependence breeds humility.*



“DO NOTHING OUT OF
SELFISH AMBITION OR VAIN CONCEIT,
BUT IN **HUMILITY** CONSIDER
OTHERS BETTER THAN YOURSELVES.”

PHILIPPIANS 2:3

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Patience is not the ability to wait but the ability to keep a good attitude while waiting.

Paul's testimony

“Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am **foremost of all**.^{*} * Acts 26:11 “Strove to make them *blaspheme*.”

Yet for this reason I found **mercy**, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His **perfect patience** as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life”

(I Tim 1:15-17). NASU

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Col 3:12-13

#3: A FORGIVING SPIRIT*

“Put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; 13 bearing with one another, and **forgiving each other**, whoever has a complaint against anyone; **just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you.**” NASU

*Matt 18:23-25 “Should you not have had mercy on my fellow servant as I have had mercy on you” (vs 33)?

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- **HUMILITY**
- **PATIENCE**
- **FORGIVING SPIRIT**

“Make every effort”

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PRACTICAL STEPS:

#1. LOOK IN THE MIRROR.



- What do we do that *irritates* others?
- At work/school/with friends?

PRACTICAL STEPS:

#2. EVALUATE:



- Do you expect more from others than yourself?
- Do you criticize others in areas of your own weakness?

PRACTICAL STEPS:

#3. WHO DO YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY RELATING TO?

- If no one....Praise God!
- If yes...ask WHY?



PRACTICAL STEPS:

#4. HAVE A FORGIVING SPIRIT TOWARDS ANY ONE WHO HAS HURT YOU.



The greatest gift one of us can give the other is forgiveness; it costs nothing yet it is priceless.

- If sin.. Follow: Matt 18:15-17
- Regardless, remember “overcome evil with good” (Romans 12:17-21).

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