Accept Differences in One Another

Message # 10 of "One Anothers" Luke 5:27-39

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Proposition

4 WAYS we are DIFFERENT – yet called to ACCEPT One Another

1st WAY

We are DIFFERENT by NATURE.

- 1. Romans 15:7 Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.
- 2. <u>Ephesians 4:2</u> Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.
- 3. <u>Titus 3:3</u> At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another.

Diversity is not a threat in Jesus Christ. We are called to live in unity.

2nd WAY

We are DIFFERENT by SOCIAL STATUS.

1. <u>1 Corinthians 11:33</u> So then, my brothers and sisters, when you gather to eat, you should all eat together.

Race, Education, Work, Dress, Cultural Tastes. Go out your way to work together.

3rd WAY

We are DIFFERENT by APPLICATION OF TRUTH.

- 1. <u>1 Timothy 5:21</u> I charge you, in the sight of God and Christ Jesus and the elect angels, to keep these instructions without partiality, and to do nothing out of favoritism.
- 2. <u>James 4:12</u> There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the one who is able to save and destroy. But you—who are you to judge your neighbor?
- 3. <u>James 5:9</u> Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!

Non-Partial, Non-Judgmental, Non-Groaning, Grudge/Complain

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4th WAY

We are DIFFERENT by TASK

- 1. <u>John 4:37</u> Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true.
- 2. <u>1 Corinthians 4:6</u> Now, brothers and sisters, I have applied these things to myself and Apollos for your benefit, so that you may learn from us the meaning of the saying, "Do not go beyond what is written." Then you will not be puffed up in being a follower of one of us over against the other.
- 3. <u>1 Corinthians 12:8</u> To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit,

Complement One Another, Ask the Right Question of People, Unity is Not Threatened One Over Another, Willingness to Make Things Work

Living the 10 One Anothers

- 1. Part of One Another
- 2. Love
- 3. Greet
- 4. Accountable
- 5. Tell the Truth
- 6. Speak Encouragingly
- 7. Help in Practical Ways
- 8. Encouragingly Help
- 9. Pursue Peace
- 10. Accept Differences

CONCLUSION:

Every Sermon Should Have Something To

- Know/Understand ...
- Believe ...
- **❖** Do ...