



## CLOSER SERIES

### “How to Find Agreement with (Almost) Anyone”

Amos 3:3 (NKJV) - “Can two walk together, unless they are agreed?”

The place of \_\_\_\_\_ is the place of power.

#### 1. THE EARLY CHURCH IS A PICTURE OF AGREEMENT

- The early church was a very \_\_\_\_\_ group of people. (Acts 13:1-2)
- The early church experienced the \_\_\_\_\_.

“The full number of those who believed were of ONE HEART AND SOUL... and GREAT GRACE was upon them all.” Acts 4:32–33 (ESV)

“For now that you have faith in Christ you are all sons of God... Gone is the distinction between Jew and Greek, slave and free man, male and female—YOU ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST JESUS.” Galatians 3:26-28 (JBP)

Our \_\_\_\_\_ are not the real issue. Our agreement is.

#### 2. WHAT THE LORD JESUS TAUGHT ON AGREEMENT

“Again I say to you that if two of you AGREE on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.” Mt. 18:19

- Jesus taught us about PRAYING in agreement.
- But Jesus also taught us about LIVING in agreement.

“Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First BE RECONCILED to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. AGREE WITH YOUR ADVERSARY QUICKLY, while you are on the way with him, lest your adversary deliver you to the judge, the judge hand you over to the officer, and you be thrown into prison.” Matthew 5:23-25 (NKJV)

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- That life is about \_\_\_\_\_ and reconciliation.  
“If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.” Romans 12:18 (NIV)

- That we should \_\_\_\_\_ with our enemy  
“Brothers and sisters, I make my appeal to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I ask that all of you AGREE WITH ONE ANOTHER in what you say. I ask that you don’t take sides. I ask that you are in COMPLETE AGREEMENT in all you think.” 1 Corinthians 1:10 (NIRV)

A life of agreement not a life of compromise...  
It is the life of a \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 3. FIVE NEW TOOLS FOR BUILDING AGREEMENT

1. Cultivate \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Focus on \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Respond rather than \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Resolve \_\_\_\_\_ quickly.
5. Practice the principle of \_\_\_\_\_.

Whatever you \_\_\_\_\_ comes CLOSER to you  
and whatever you \_\_\_\_\_ moves away.

FATHER GOD, Thank you for teaching me to come closer to you and your people through the awesome power of agreement. Lord I confess that too often, I’ve sinned and made my relationships worse. Thank you for loving me, forgiving me and teaching me to walk in the power of agreement with you and with others. Through Christ I pray, AMEN

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