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May 20.	Welles-Bare. Pa.	Epworth. M. E. Church.		Epworth. M. E. Church.	Welles-Bare. Pa.
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Dec. 1.	Seppoburg. Va.	Methodist Ch.		Methodist Ch.	Seppoburg. Va.
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The Unity of the Church.

John xvii. 20-21.

Introductory.

We have been the victims during recent years of a great number of unauthorized attempts to bring about what is spoken of as the Unity of the Church.

- i. Happy parties have been arranged in Switzerland.
- ii. Bishops have invited Free Church ministers to lunch.
- iii. Conferences have been held on the condition of silence concerning differences.
- iv. Encyclicals have invited, with loving solicitude, the ejection of first principles on the part of some, in order that they might be the more easily absorbed.
- v. One great section of the Church has begged the recognition of a fable called "orders", at the seat of authority of a Karlot imitation of a Church

And so on - - - - -

All these attempts are vain & foolish for many reasons.

Among others because: -

- i. There has been no disruption of God's Church.
- ii. Unity has been confounded with Uniformity.
- iii. The human divisions & bitteresses - - - all of them on the surface - - - have been caused by a forgetfulness of the underlying facts which are wholly Divine.

I do not speak of these outward divisions as being of small moment. They are tragic & hinder the purposes of God. There is no way of healing them however, but by a return to the first principles of unity as taught by our Lord.

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This accomplished, the outward discrepan-
cies may be left to right themselves.

I invite you therefore to a two-fold consideration.

A. The Unity of the Church as revealed
in the Intercessory prayer of
Christ.

B. The Application of this fact to the
necessities of the case today.

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the Intercessory Prayer of our Lord.

Christ was approaching the last hours of His
sojourn on the earth.

The Passion - baptism of which He had spoken
was at hand.

In the presence of that hour He lifted His eyes to
heaven and prayed.

This prayer falls into three parts.

1. Verses. 1-5. His prayer for Himself.
2. Verses. 6-19. His prayer for His first disciples.
3. Verses. 20-26. His prayer for the Church.

The will of Jesus cannot be misunderstood
by any who have given any attention to
this prayer.

He goes back, in the opening section, to His
own glory before the world was, in union
with the Father.

Of this He had emptied Himself for a season.
He was about to return to it.

Standing around Him were the men whom
He had gathered out of the world, & to whom
He had manifested His Father's name.

He saw them as the first of a great host to be
gathered, and to whom the Eternal Life
of knowing the Father, through the Son will
be given.

For these He prays, & His prayer is that they may
be ONE.

Studying this prayer carefully, let us consi-
der: -

- i. The Nature of the Unity.
- ii. The Method of the Unity.
- iii. The Purpose of the Unity.

A. i. The nature of the Unity.

i. On the pattern of the Divine unity.

1. v. 21. Vital unity, consciously.

"I in Me... and I... in Thee";

A higher type of life than anything of which we know in what is called nature.

Each being, a conscious element in the being of a vast whole.

2. v. 23. Essential Unity.

"I in them... & I in Me";

The union of the Father & the Son is that of essence.

Upon that is based the unity of believers.

The unity of the Church then is on the pattern of the Unity in the Trinity, & is indeed of the same nature.

ii. A threefold progressive unity.

1. Of the disciples (v. 11)

That is of a group of men closely associated with each other in Jesus.

"As we are."

Thought.
Purpose.
Will.
Service.

The Local Church.

2. Of the host who should believe through their word. (v. 21)

That is of the whole family of believers separated by time & space.

"One in us".

Unity in communion with the Father & the Son.

The Catholic Church.

3. Of the Church in glory. (v. 23)

The whole host of believers finally gathered together.

"Perfectly in One"

Each perfect.
Perfect in relationship.
Perfect in expression.

The Glorified Church.

See Col. 2:9-10

The Apostles

The Church. 26-28

The Christians 27.

Christ. 3

B. ii. The Method of the Unity.

i. The Intercession of Jesus. (v. 20).

This intercession is based upon our Lord's accomplishment of the Father's will and purpose.

Life eternal through the Son. (vs 2-4).

The manifested Name. (v. 6).

The words given. (v. 8).

I kept. I guarded. (v. 12).

It today avails because the work accomplished in life was completed in death.

ii. The Gift of Jesus. (vs. 22-23).

The gift of the glory which Jesus received from His Father.

The perfect vision of the Father, which transfigures all life by a revelation of the unity of all being.

iii. The declaration of the Name. (v. 26).

1. Accomplished. I have ^{made known} declared.

2. Progressive. I will declare.

3. Final. The love where with I have loved ME may be in them.

iii. The purpose of the Unity.

a. "That the world may believe" (v. 21).

The demonstration of the Divinity of the Mission of Christ lies in the vital union of the whole Church.

b. "That the world may know" (v. 23)

The perfecting of the Oneness will then be used for the conviction of the world concerning the Divinity of that Mission.

So that here the perpetual law obtains that blessings are granted for the sake of the larger circle.

B. The Application of the Fact to the necessities of the case today.

i. Humiliation.

We are part of the Church.

We have no right to disassociate ourselves from its sins & failures.

We have a share in the outward breaking up of the body.

The whole is carnal. (See 1 Cor. iii. 1-9).

Our step to Unity in its visibility is that of association in Humiliation.

ii. Consecration

a. To the ideals of Christ.

The Father.

Revealed in the Son.

Expressed in the Church.

b. To the methods of Christ.

Intercession.

The Glory manifested.

The name being declared.

c. To the purpose of Christ.

That the WORLD may believe.

The great missionary passion.

iii. Co-operation.

Always & only upon the foregoing two-fold basis.

The Sublimities.

INCARNATION.

ATONEMENT.

RESTORATION. (Acts iii. 21). R.V.

The Trivialities.

Ritual.

Governments.

Opinions

Persons.

Conclusion.

From the Head comes the Unity.

"Unto each one of us was the grace given?" Eph. iv. 7.

"Of His fulness we all received, & grace for grace." John. i. 16.

The Application of the Word to the
members of the ecclesiastical

Hymns.

- 437. "We come unto our Father's God."
- 442. "One sole baptismal sign."
- 443. "The Church's one foundation."

Conf. Hy!

- Chant 133.
- Anthem 48

Sessions.

- 1. Jer. vii. 1-7.
- 2. John. xvii.

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