




# A Place Where Everyone Should Belong

Helping everyone in the local church to feel like part of the family.



## Consider your routine on a typical Sunday morning...

- What time do you arrive?
- Where do you sit?
- With whom do you speak and visit?
- How quickly do you leave after services?
- Do you notice when visitors enter the building? Do you make an effort to greet them?



# What do the scriptures reveal to us on this subject?

- That first century churches were also divided into different groups of people...
  - I Corinthians 11:18
  - I Corinthians 1:11ff; 3:3
- That gospel preachers were not immuned to these divisions, but were involved...
  - Acts 15: 36-40



A local church is a great illustration of unity in diversity.

- Ephesians 2: 21-22

- “being fitted together”

- Romans 12: 10

- “Be devoted to one another....give preference to one another in honor.”

- I Corinthians 12: 14ff

- Philemon v17 “accept him”

