



# Diversity!



***“There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.”***

**Galatians 3:28**





# Things We Share in Common:

## 1. The Need for Companionship!

- ❖ *“It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make a helper fit for him.” (Genesis 2:18)*
- ❖ *<sup>11</sup> Nevertheless, in the Lord woman is not independent of man nor man of woman; <sup>12</sup> for as woman was made from man, so man is now born of woman. And all things are from God. (1 Corinthians 11)*



# Things We Share in Common:

## 2. The Problem of Sin!

- ❖ *“The soul who sins shall die.” (Ezekiel 18:20)*
- ❖ *<sup>12</sup> Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. <sup>13</sup> Let no one say when he is tempted, I am being tempted by God, for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. <sup>14</sup> But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. <sup>15</sup> Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death. (James 1:12-15)*
- ❖ Sin is *“lawlessness,”* a transgression, or breaking of the law. **(1 John 3:4)**



# Things We Share in Common:

## 3. The Cure for Sin!

- ❖ Stop sinning!
- ❖ It is a process that involves:
  - ❖ Faith in the sacrifice of Christ  
(**Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6**)
  - ❖ Confessing that faith (**Romans 10:10**)
  - ❖ Being baptized for the remission of sins  
(**Acts 22:16**)



# Things We Share in Common:

## 4. The Capacity for Worship!

- ❖ Shared capacity to worship can be abused
  - ❖ Some worship the wrong god (**Exo. 20:3**)
  - ❖ Some worship inanimate things (**1 Corinthians 10:14**)
  - ❖ Some worship the right God but in the wrong way (**Matthew 15:8-9**)
- ❖ Jesus taught the proper object and the proper way to worship God (**John 4:24**)



# Things We Share in Common:

## 5. A Message from God!

- ❖ *“His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence.” (2 Peter 1:3)*
- ❖ *“Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.” (Jude 3)*
- ❖ *“If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.” (Luke 16:31)*







**Fellowship**

