**Mt. Olive Institutional Missionary Baptist Church**

**Bible Study March 6, 2024**

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***1 Corinthians 12:12-13***

***“Unity: Counting To 1”***

**Ephesians 4:16** *from whom the whole body fitly joined together..*

**John 17:21-23***That they all may be one;….*

*The purpose of:*

* **Sports Teams** *- to win games and championships; do your positional assignment*
* **Bands** *- to make good music; play your assigned notes at the right time*
* **Choirs/Singers** *- to blend; sing your part*
* **The Church** *– (you might be surprised by the Bible's answer) According to Scripture, the church has a three-fold purpose:*
1. *the* ***exaltation*** *of God* **(Ephesians 1:12)**
2. *the* ***edification*** *of the saints* **(Colossians 1:28)**
3. *the* ***evangelization*** *of the world* **(Matthew 28:19-20)***.*

*Here are two ideas for working to achieve our Purpose:*

1. **Appreciate Their Uniqueness** *(vs12) - respect, prize, cherish, admire, treasure. (You speak positively and in favor of who and what you appreciate);* **Philippians 1:3-6**
2. **Value it’s Members** *(vs13) - is worth much, has usefulness, has merit, (you take care of what you value)* **Matthew 7:12; Romans 12:10**

**Questions and Responses:**

1. *How do you, personally, respond when you are Valued and Appreciated?*
2. *What are 3 areas, in your everyday life, that requires Unity with others? (Please explain how and why)*
3. *What can, will, and does Mt. Olive look like and achieve when Mt. Olive Values and Appreciates it’s members?*

***Valued and Appreciated Members Produce Valued and Appreciated Things!***