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² I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to agree with each other in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you, loyal yokefellow, help these women who have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life. (*Philippians 4:2-3*)

I. A Look at the Team

A. **Euodia** - (“prosperous journey”)

– She worked with Paul “in the cause of the gospel.”

– She may have hosted a ‘house church’ in her home made up of Jewish Christians.

B. **Syntyche** - (“pleasant acquaintance”)

– She also worked with Paul “in the cause of the gospel.”

– She also may have hosted a ‘house church’ in her home made up of Gentile Christians.

II. A look at the problem

A. There was disagreement

B. The call for unity is a major focus of this epistle.

– Paul prayed that **‘their love may abound more and more’** (1:9)

– Paul’s desire that those in the church would ‘conduct themselves in a manner worthy of the gospel’ “as **one** spirit” “as **one** man” for the faith of the Gospel. (1:27)

– Paul wanted the people to be **like-minded**, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose (2:2)

– Paul said, “join with others” and follow my example. (3:1)

III. A Look at the solution

A. A personal encouragement - **“agree in the Lord.”**

– Jesus prayed for our unity (agreement) (John 17:20-23)

– The need to understand that God desired reconciliation.

B. A personal request - **“help these women.”**

– Often, reconciliation cannot be accomplished alone.

(Lk 5:7)

IV. How is all this possible? (Colossians 3:15-17)

A. Let the peace of Christ rule in your heart. (*Emotion*)

B. Let the word of Christ dwell (in your mind).(*Intellect*)

C. Let the Lord be the focus of all your thoughts and actions

(*Will*)

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Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. ² Serve the
LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

*Hymn No. 107 *Let's Just Praise the Lord*

Let's just praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let's just lift our hearts to heaven and praise the Lord;
Let's just praise the Lord, Praise the Lord,
Let's just lift our hearts to heaven and praise the Lord.

*Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:1-3

I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ²
Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one
another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit
through the bond of peace.

*Hymn 281 *The Bond of Love*

We are one in the bond of love; We are one in the bond of love.
We have joined our spirit with the Spirit of God;
We are on in the bond of love.

Let us sing now, everyone; Let us feel His love begun.
Let us join our hands that the world will know
We are one in the bond of love.

*Invocation

Scripture Reading Colossians 3:15-17

¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one
body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of
Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another
with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs

with gratitude in your hearts to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether
in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks
to God the Father through him.

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Verse 1

Out in the highways and byways of life
Many are weary and sad;
Carry the sunshine where darkness is rife,
making the sorrowing glad.

Chorus:

Make me a blessing, make me a blessing!
Out of my life may Jesus shine.
Make me a blessing, O Savior, I pray.
Make me a blessing to someone today.

Verse 2

Tell the sweet story of Christ and His love.
Tell of His pow'r to forgive;
Others will trust Him if only you prove
True every moment you live.

Chorus:

Verse 3

Give as 'twas given to you in your need.

Love as the Master loved you;
Be to the helpless a helper indeed; unto your mission be true.

Chorus:

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Pastoral Prayer

Choral Response No. 438 *Cleanse Me* (verse 1)

Search me, O God, and know my heart today;
Try me, O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray.
See if there be some wicked way in me;
Cleanse me from ev'ry sin and set me free.

Sermon Applied

Song of Response

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction *Freely, Freely* (*Refrain*)

He said, "Freely, freely you have received – Freely, freely give'
Go in My name, and because you believe,
Others will know that I live."

*Postlude