

The Sweet Spot for... *Christian Unity*

At the close of his ministry here, Jesus Christ prayed that his followers would be visibly united ([John 17:20-26](#)). Somehow that would show the world that God loves each of us with the very same love he has for his Son. So—and after some 1,900 years—where's the unity?

No matter how things may look at any given moment, God has guaranteed that he'll make everything right in the end ([Revelation 20:11-15](#), [21:5-8](#). Note: [Romans 2:12-16](#)). That makes our present lives here but a bump in the eternal road, but that doesn't make it any easier for us now because we still have to cope with that bump.

God's Book gives us his Plan for that. If we put it to work, he promises things will get better and better—not perfect—but better. Let's see... At the Tower of Babel God destroyed our universal language ([Genesis 11:1-9](#)). As creative as he had made us to be, we had a long way to go before

this awful place and just do Heaven. He created this place for us so we could (1) experience life for ourselves, (2) discover his Plan in the process, and (3) become the people he made us to be. That was impossible for God to do on his own because he's not us. That is our job, and he gave us this place to work it all out. Thus, the challenge is ours, believers and seekers alike; and the Big Question is this: what are we doing with it?

What are we thinking?
How are we acting?
What are we doing now, individually and together as a group?

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God Spoken Here!

When you live life the way
God designed it to be lived,
things get better and better.

A Life worth the living!

Discover it Now!

The Past

NOW!

Discover it Now!

The Future

The past is over. There's nothing you can do about it except that God can forgive you for what you've done and guide you with what you're doing now.

Now is the only time God has given you the power to act.

You can plan for it, but you have no control over it now, except that you can enlist God's help in prayer.

This is your now!

But what if God doesn't exist? Well, his Book does!
It gave us Western Civilization. What might it give you? Let's find out.

You have an **ENEMY** you didn't know you had...

The Bible calls him prince of the air. He's also known as a liar and the father of lies, the counterfeiter, the devil, and Satan. You can see his power in [Matthew 4:1-11](#) key verses [8-9](#). If the devil couldn't have delivered on that promise, it would not have been tempting at all.

Read about the devil's doom in [Revelation 20:7-10](#). He knows about that, and the only way he can get back at God now is to rob him of the people He loves. *That's us*, believers and not. That's why he's The Enemy, his demons and all the people caught up in his lies. They're everywhere, and God has given us weapons for our defense ([Ephesians 6:10-18](#)).

Love the Lord your God (Truth) with all your heart, soul, and mind.

Love your neighbor as yourself. *That's the whole biblical message in a nutshell.*

You have a **FRIEND** you didn't know you had...

The Bible calls him God. He's not the enemy. He's the best friend you'll ever have. He wants the best for you because you're family. He loves you! ([John 3:16](#))

Your physical growth began in the womb and continues even now. Your spiritual growth began in earnest when you were born and continues even now.

You feed your body with physical food. You feed your spirit with spiritual food. Neglecting either one is fatal. You already know about physical food. The Holy Bible supplies the spiritual ([2 Timothy 3:16-17](#); [1 Corinthians 2:6-16](#)). You need to snack on it just like you do on the other. It's Manna for moderns, and it's ripe with the Secrets of Life.

we would figure out how things actually worked here on Earth. Well, according to the nightly news, that time is just about here.

Now, after more than 3,000 years, modern science has brought us back to that Tower through our digital mind-set, super computers, sub-atomic revelations, and artificial intelligence. We're even on track to becoming gods ourselves by creating "living beings" in our own image, self-learning robots driven by artificial intelligence, made out of dust, just like us.

When you commit to Christ, (See *Sweet Spot* #17, *Salvation*) and do your best to live the truth in love, you have good reason to hope that things will turn out just fine (**Romans 8:18-27**). But now you're stuck here on this timeline, locked in a spiritual war (**Ephesians 6:10-18** key verses **10-12**). That puts you in the 21st Century in much the same place that the apostle Paul found himself in the First.

So I find this law at work: When I want to do good, evil is right there with me. For in my inner being I delight in God's law; but I see another law at work in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and

making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within my members. What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God—through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to God's law, but in the sinful nature a slave to the law of sin (**Romans 7:7-25** quoted verses: **21-25**).

The apostle Paul's inner battle then was just like our inner battles now. The moment you make Christ your Lord, you've made Satan your enemy. That's why God has given us defensive weapons (**Ephesians 6:10-18** kv **13-18**. Note: **Matthew 4:1-11** kvs **4, 7, 10**).

Not surprisingly, that "full armor of God" is no more than doing your best working God's everyday Plan. A good way to get better at that is to explore the gospels and get to know Jesus, the man. How did he cope with the world? (**John 5:16-23** kv **19**. Note: **Philippians 2:1-18** kvs **5-11**). That's the pattern for all of us here since we're all being transformed (**Romans 12:1-2**) from having been taught by the world to the seekers we are now.

Therein lies the unity, all of us in the aggregate, working towards the same goal. I think that's why God didn't bypass

Here's how to make it happen, but only now... That's where God has given you the power to act.

That's God's Gift of the Moment.

What follows here is the springboard into the biblical message for all seekers. You can find God's personal call to you in **Matthew 7:7-14**, but this is the "spring-board" from which you dive into God's Plan for yourself. If you want to know more about his Word and the men who wrote it down, read **Luke 1:1-4, 2 Peter 1:16-21** and **Psalms 119**; but this is for you right now...

Start here...

Therefore, I urge you brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—which is your spiritual worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form

one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully. Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. (**Romans 12:1-9**)

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