

# Unity and Generosity

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: Acts 4.

B. The early church was growing greatly.

C. They had one heart and one soul.

II. They were characterized by unity and generosity.

A. The church had one heart and one soul. (2 Chronicles 27)

1. This is not referring to organizational unity.

2. This means getting to know a person through all sorts of activities.

3. It is a sin to take someone for granted. (1 Corinthians 1:10, Philippians 1:27)

4. The longer you live the more important people become and the less important things become.

B. The church shared their possessions with one another.

IV. Consequences.

A. Their witness was greater.

B. Great grace was upon them all—there was a gracious atmosphere around all of them. (1 John 1:9)

**Application questions:**

1. What challenges does the modern church face in becoming more united and more generous?

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2. What does it look like to have an atmosphere of faith?

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3. How can you become more generous personally? Explain.

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