On One Accord by Kirk Hunt

Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, fulfill my joy by being likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.

<u>Philippians 2:1-2</u> NKJV Please also read <u>Philippians 2:1-18</u>

The <u>collapse of the physical building</u> was the most visible (and final) sign of a flawed community. The lack of cooperation or collaboration among the residents fostered further deterioration of their shared residence. Without accord and unity, death and destruction almost inevitably followed.

Years of warnings from experts did not bring community or unity. The easily discerned physical conditions in the building did not foster cooperation or cohesion. <u>Only the roar of collapse</u>, the cries of the trapped, and the silence of the missing forced unified effort.

The Church, the universal community of Christians, is in a similar situation. Years of warnings from Bible scholars and Church leaders have not fostered community or unity among God's people. Too many believers discount or discard the evidence of discord visible to their own eyes.

It is not too late for God's people to work together. The Church, through the power of God and His Holy Spirit, could be a unifying force in the nation and the world. First though, we must be on one accord. Are you ready to set aside your individual concerns for our joint mission?

Think: Unity gives God's people strength and fosters advancement of God's Kingdom.

Pray: "Lord, help me to foster unity and cooperation in Your Kingdom."

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