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The Place of Blessing



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> Behold, how good and how pleasant it is
> For brothers to dwell together in unity!
> It is like the precious oil upon the head,
> Coming down upon the beard,
> Even Aaron's beard,
> Coming down upon the edge of his robes.
> It is like the dew of Hermon,
> Coming down upon the mountains of Zion;
> For there the LORD commanded
> the blessing – life forever.
> (Psalm 133 nasb)

What a powerful climax: *There the Lord commanded the blessing!* Of one thing I am confident: if the LORD commands the blessing, there is no power in the universe that can withhold it. Many times I see God's people crying out for His blessing and seeking it earnestly. I can sympathize with that; and yet is it not better to dwell in the place where God has commanded the blessing?

Where is that place? It is where brothers dwell together in unity. To "dwell together" is much more than merely coming together for an hour or two on Sunday morning. It means sharing life together – the failures as well as the successes, the problems as well as the victories, the material as well as the spiritual.

David establishes a chain of consecutive truths: life flows out of blessing; blessing flows out of unity; and unity, like the anointing oil, flows from the head downward. Nothing flows more easily and smoothly than oil. But it only flows *downward,* never upward. David also compares unity to dew. This, too, always comes *down*.

So it is with the Body of Christ: unity must begin with the leaders. Sheep cannot be united while their shepherds are divided. But once leaders can achieve true unity, it flows down over the rest of the Body. There God has already commanded the blessing. It is vain to run after it or strive for it, if we fail to meet the conditions.

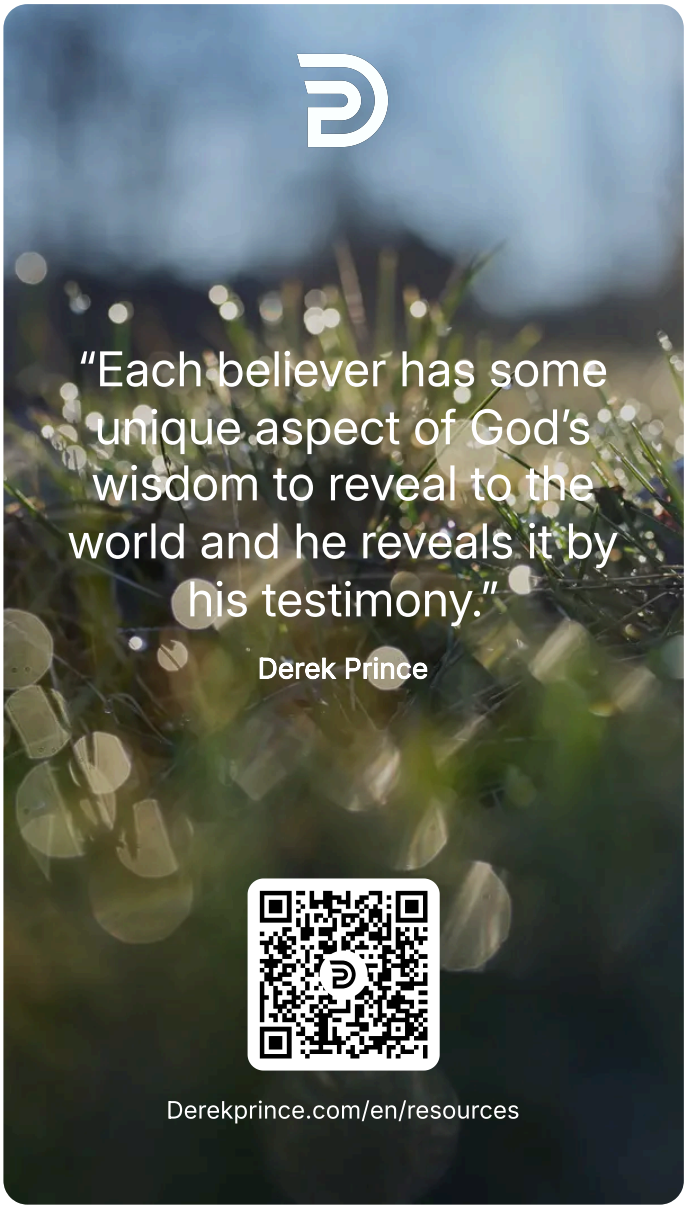
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