"You Are Not Alone" - Perfect Unity Pastor Harlyn May 28, 2023 – 180 Church 1 Corinthians 1:10-17 (ESV)

1 Corinthians 1:10-17 "I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought. ¹¹ My brothers and sisters it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you. ¹² What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." ¹³ Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶ (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel – not with wisdom and eloquence, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power."

Luke 22:24-30 "A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. ²⁵ Jesus said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. ²⁶ But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. ²⁷ For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. ²⁸ You are those who have stood by me in my trials. ²⁹ And I confer on you a kingdom, just as my Father conferred one on me, ³⁰ so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

Matthew 20:28 (Jesus) "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and *to give his life as a ransom for many.*"

Ephesians 3:17-19 "I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God."

LOOK IN:

- 1. In 1 Corinthians 10:17, Paul says he was called to preach not to baptize. Why is it important that Paul knew who he was called to be?
- 2. Read Luke 22:24-30. What qualities can you use to identify a leader who follows Jesus?
- 3. Ephesians 5:21-33 teaches us about love and submission like Jesus who, "loved the church and gave himself up for her". This passage is often used to establish who is in charge in a marriage. When you read this passage, does it seem to be speaking more about who's in charge, or a healthy competition over who gets to serve the other?
- 4. Mathew 20:28 says, "The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve." Given that Jesus is The Son of Man, how should this influence how we treat one another?