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Why might community prayer be less common today than it was in the early church? What are some obstacles to praying together?
How can we foster greater community prayer?
How can your small group become a prayerful group?

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How is unity in Christ different from uniformity?
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What was it like?

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What was it like?

What keeps you from offering to pray for other people? What keeps you from asking for prayer from other people? How can you grow in both areas?

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