Acts 1:12-14 (HCSB) United in Prayer

12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called the Mount of Olives, which is near Jerusalem—a Sabbath day’s journey away. 13 When they arrived, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying:

Peter, John, James, Andrew, Philip, Thomas, Bartholomew, Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot, and Judas the son of James.

14 All these were continually united in prayer, along with the women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and His brothers.

UNITED WE STAND, who?
1. The ___________ Then they ________________ to Jerusalem Vs. 12

UNITED WE STAND, who?
2. The __________ 11 united in ________________ faith. Vs. 13

UNITED WE STAND, who?
3. The __________ continually ___________ in __________ Vs. 14
Divided we fall because unless our problems become an opportunity for Christ to put His power on display. . . . Divided we fall if we do not keep Christ the center of everything we do. . . Divided we fall if we fail in setting aside our individual egos, agendas, and preferences in deference to Christ. (Adapted from Flickering Lamps Christ & His Church by Henry & Richard Blackaby)

United we stand to consider pursuing God’s glory over our own. United we stand to reflect on the legacy that our church will ultimately be leaving; a church that is dying or a church that is reclaiming God’s glory. (Adapted from the FOREWARD of RECLAIMING GLORY by Mark Clifton.)

To place your faith in Jesus and receive His gift of eternal life, you must—

- Recognize you are a sinner who needs a saving relationship with Jesus Christ;

- Confess (agree with God about) your sins;

- Repent of your sins (turn from sin to God);

- Ask Jesus to save you by His grace;

- Turn over the rule of your life to Jesus, letting Him be your Lord.

(Adapted from EXPERIENCING GOD KNOWING and DOING THE WILL OF GOD by HENRY & RICHARD BLACKABY AND CLAUDE KING pages 8-13.)

(UNITED IN OBEDIENCE WE STAND, UNITED IN FAITH WE STAND, UNITED IN PRAYER WE STAND; DIVIDED WE FALL)

“Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.” Matthew 7:7-8 KJV

Asking involves requesting something that you already know about: “Lord Jesus, I ask you to bring our church to know your love and to share that love with those far from God.” Seeking, on the other hand, involves requesting an answer about something you do not know about: “Lord Jesus, show me what I can do to express your love in our church and to those far from God. I don’t know what to do next.” Knocking involves asking Christ to enter an area of need that is behind closed doors: “Lord Jesus, open the door to areas of need in our church and show me how you can deliver this church through me and my brothers and sisters in the Lord.” (Adapted From Survival Kit page 95.)

Things to Consider……

- Say “YES” to Jesus for the very first time.
- I will memorize Matthew 7:7-8
- I will talk to an unchurched person about my faith in Jesus, because I really value my faith in Jesus.
- I will explain the benefits of being a Christian to an unchurched person.
- I will offer to pray for a need of an unchurched person.