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Matt 6:33: "Making Disciples for the Kingdom"

# Disciplines(behaviors) that promote unity in the Church

The Book of Proverbs identifies principles that promote and encourage unity in the Church.

## First Principle - Proverbs 12:22 & Proverbs 16:13

• Christians speaks words of truth and honesty – the Lord works in truth and righteousness.

#### Second Principle - Proverbs 27:1-2

Christians are not overly boastful – boasting in oneself is a sign of pride.

## Third Principle - Proverbs 17:14

• Christians are not easily argumentative – <u>drop the issue before it even starts.</u>

# Fourth Principle - Proverbs 29:8-11

• Christians resist contentious meaningless arguments – be wise and think before talking

# Fifth Principle - Proverbs 11:12-13 & Proverbs 20:19

• Christians are not gossips and do not disclose reputations – be careful who you share secrets.

# Sixth Principle - Proverbs 10:18-21 & Proverbs 26:20-22

• Christians do not spread personal slander that harms others – <u>put out unnecessary quarrels.</u>

## Seventh Principle - Proverbs 15:28-29 & Proverbs 17:27-28

Christians use words to instill calm and understanding – watch the power of your tongue.

# Eighth Principle - Proverbs 15:1-4 & Proverbs 15:18

• Christians use words that promote peace and kindness – <u>resist dissension and be patient with one another.</u>

Christians use words that encourage <u>love</u>, <u>unity</u>, <u>fellowship</u>, and <u>restoration</u> through evoking the power of the Holy Spirit.