



Oneness
Message 5
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2. **Sin** _____.
(Acts 5:1-11. C/R: 1 Corinthians 5:12; Galatians 6:1-3;
James 5:19-20; 1 John 5:16)

► Outline

All the believers were united in heart and mind. ...

Acts 4:32 (NLT)

Oneness = a strong feeling of _____ in the Spirit, producing unity of thought, feeling and belief.

The results of oneness in the church...
(Acts 4:32-5:16. C/R: John 17:21; 1 Corinthians 12:13)

1. **Sacrifice** _____.
(Acts 4:32b-37. C/R: John 13:35; 2 Corinthians 9:7;
Philippians 2:3; 1 John 3:17)

3. **Signs** _____.
(Acts 5:12-16. C/R: Matthew 10:5-8; Mark 16:17-18;
Romans 15:18-19; Hebrews 2:3-4)

Answers: closeness **1.** practiced **2.** confronted **3.** performed

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit brookwoodchurch.org/adults.

Conversation Starter

Do you still see or talk with any of your childhood friends?

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Ask God to help you experience His love and hear His voice as you study and reflect this week.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read [Acts 4:32-37](#).

1. What was the attitude of the believers' hearts toward each other and their material possessions?
2. Why was there such radical sacrifice among these believers? What was their motivation to give so freely?
3. Perry defined *oneness* as a *strong feeling of closeness in the Spirit, producing unity of thought, feeling and belief*. How can you help create this type of miraculous community with those close to you? Within Brookwood? For further insight, see [2 Corinthians 9:6-15](#); [Philippians 2:1-4](#); [1 Timothy 5:3-4](#).

Read [Acts 5:1-11](#).

4. Ananias lied to the apostles. Why did Peter say he lied to the Holy Spirit?
5. If Ananias owned the land and was free to sell it or not to sell it ([vs. 4](#)), what crime did he commit? What was his sin? For further study, compare and contrast this passage with [Joshua 7:1-26](#).
6. What do the following passages teach about confronting sin and living in community: [Matthew 7:1-5](#), [Luke 17:1-4](#), and [Galatians 6:1-5](#)? What's been your experience confronting the sin of others?

Read [Acts 5:12-16](#).

7. What signs were performed among the believers? Make a list of what was happening.
8. Why do you think *no one else dared to join them* ([vs. 13](#))?
9. How do you see God at work among the people of Brookwood?

Spiritual Practice

[Spiritual Practices are steps we take to allow the Holy Spirit to work in our lives. These aren't meant to be one-time actions, but practices that become a natural part of our lives.]

Everything you have is God's, and everything you have is on loan from God. Name several resources God has given you (money, gifts, time, personal experiences). Name one person or organization who can benefit from one of those resources and give it to them. How can you make giving a regular practice for your Small Group and/or family?

Memory Verse

All the believers were united in heart and mind. And they felt that what they owned was not their own, so they shared everything they had. [Acts 4:32 \(NLT\)](#)

Daily Reading

- Day 1: [Galatians 6:1-5](#) Day 4: [1 Timothy 5:1-4](#)
Day 2: [2 Corinthians 9:6-15](#) Day 5: [Psalm 41:1-3](#)
Day 3: [Proverbs 19:8-17](#)

Prepare for Next Sunday

Sunday, October 25, we'll continue the series titled *Church Empowered*. To prepare, read [Acts 5:17-6:7](#).