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Through Ordinary People, Doing Ordinary Things,

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Koinonia

- fellowship, community, communion, joint participation, partnering
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- May they also be in Us,

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22 I have given them the glory You gave Me, so that they may be one as We are one -23 I in them and You in Me—that they may be perfectly united, so that the world may know that You sent Me and have loved them just as You have loved Me.

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- ➤ Would I treat another believer differently if I saw a Holy Spirit "tongue of fire" over their head?
- Do I understand that we are sharing in a supernatural unity?

The same unity shared by within the Trinity?

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Ekklesia – Church

Ek - out Kaleo - called

- The called-out ones
- A gathered assembly

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- Am I devoted to my fellow believers so that I love gathering with them whenever they meet?
- ➤ When I do not gather with the saints; is my reason God honoring?
- Do I love being with my brothers and sisters?

- Romans 12:9 Love must be sincere.
- Detest what is evil; cling to what is good.
- 10 Be devoted to one another in brotherly love.
- Outdo yourselves in honoring one another.
- 11 Do not let your zeal subside; keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.
- 12 Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, persistent in prayer.
- 13 Share with the saints who are in need. Practice hospitality.

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