

Worship Sharing 8-1-23

Blessed Community

Our life is love, and peace, and tenderness; and bearing one with another, and forgiving one another, and not laying accusations one against another; but praying one for another, and helping one another up with a tender hand, if there has been any slip or fall; and waiting till the Lord gives sense and repentance, if sense and repentance in any be wanting. Oh! wait to feel this spirit, and to be guided to walk in this spirit, that ye may enjoy the Lord in sweetness, and walk sweetly, meekly, tenderly, peaceably, and lovingly one with another...

Issac Pennington, 1667

Dwell in the pure, peaceable, heavenly wisdom of God, that is gentle and easy to be entreated, that is full of mercy; all striving to be of one mind, heart, soul, and judgement in Christ, having his mind and spirit dwelling in you, building up one another with the love of God....

– George Fox, 1690 epistle

Are love and unity fostered among us? If differences arise, do we endeavor to reconcile them in a spirit of love and truth? Are we careful not to manipulate and exploit one another? Do we avoid talebearing, and are we careful of the reputation of others?

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How do these quotes speak to you?

Have you placed some of this wisdom into practice in daily living? What has been your experience?

What would help you in this Friend's practice? How can we help each other?