

- Intro:
1. Have you ever wondered how so many different people can keep going in God's appointed ways in the church?
 2. James 4:12 states, "There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy."
 3. It is the law of the Lord of Glory which stands as our rallying point, and today we look at the mixed crowd who left Egypt and learn how we can keep unity in church.

Prop: **You must Walk Together as One!**

I. By Sticking By God's Precious Word (Exo.12:29-36).

1. v.35, "borrow" = ask (cf. 3:21-22)
v.36, "lent" = gave (not a bankers loan;a neighb'rs kindness)
2. If we hesitate at God's Word, then we miss our Window of Opportunity to walk together.
3. There was a haste and unity of exodus based on God's signal. The judgment was decisive; God's hand was evident. No unity in other voices: Exo.32:7-8;26-29
4. John 17:17-21, the prayer of Jesus illustrates that the Word of God is the only unifying force we have—any diminishing of God's Word as errant, irrelevant, outdated or impractical takes away from the unity of our Testimony for Christ.
5. Are you willing to move today as the Word of God teaches us, unified around His Precious Mandate and rejecting this World's Perilous Mockery.

II. By Sticking to God's Precise Timing (Exo.12:37-42).

1. v.37, "600k" men + women & children = min. of 2million (started with 75 total Hebrew camp, Acts 7:14; Gen.46:26)
v.38, "mixed multitude" = Egyptians + Hebrews (7:5;8:19;9:20)
v.40, "430 years" = first were peaceful (Exo.1:1-8) + Ge.15:13
v.41, "selfsame day" (also vv.17,51) = promptness demanded
2. Failing to act in God's window of opportunity destroys the unity and purpose of God's church.
3. Matt.4:21-22—immediate service
Jms.4:13-17—knowledgeable service
4. A factory in order to move forward in sales must keep up production of every part of the whole product. The finishing

department cannot set its unique pace without considering the cutting department or the whole factory suffers.

5. Will you surrender and move promptly upon the Spirit's call, or will you hinder the whole church from a great movement together in ministry?

III. By Sticking to God's Exclusive Fellowship (Exo.12:43-51).

1. v.43, "stranger" = son of a foreigner (2 Hebrew words)
v.44, "circumcision"=outward sign of inward change (Rom.2:28-29;3:30; John 1:11-12)
2. The church is Solely Christ's, not Socially Christian.
3. Romans 12:15; 1st Cor.12:27
4. I don't go to the furniture company and walk in and expect to all the benefits of being an employee, rather an application is handed to me for the bosses' approval. Yet people walk in church and expect all the benefits of being Christian.
5. Friend, you must always see that people who do come to church hear that Jesus can save their soul and must in order for this wonderful journey to benefit them for eternity.

Conc: Walking as One in the WORD, in TIMING, in FELLOWSHIP.

Invit. Hymn: I'll Live for Him (56BH, #359)