

NBC Devotional
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“Paul's Trinitarian Blessing”

“Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All God’s people here send their greetings. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.”

Paul admonish’ s the Corinthian church throughout his letter but ends the letter with a blessing. He calls them to rejoice, and to hope. He gives them opportunity for joy that is not dependent on circumstances but joy from the Lord. He calls them to be of one mind and one mission even in difficult times, just like God calls us to today.

Paul begins his Trinitarian blessing with the Son, Jesus. “Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ” – We are called to lead with grace. Then, Paul blesses by the agape, love of God, and ends with koinonia of the Holy Spirit, fellowship through the Holy Spirit. Paul is calling blessing out of them. Be a people of grace, love, and fellowship.

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