The Ekklesia

A Family that Seeks Justice and Reconciliation

My Desire in Prayer

"Your unceasing **Desire** is your unceasing **Prayer**."
St. Augustine

That with humility I would carry the good news of freedom for the captives, justice for the oppressed and reconciliation with the Father as a member of Christ Jesus who knows how to live in His family that brings transformation to a broken people.

As the Ekklesia we have been chosen to live in this generation at this time for a specific reason. Many lines are being drawn and we are being asked to choose a side. But God has a line in this season as well.

I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. John 17:23

A supernatural love given by God to our hearts will be the only way we will be able to love others and live in unity in the seasons that are coming.

Our mutual love for one another will prove the power of the cross and resurrection.

Matthew 16 is a teaching on functioning in God's power to bring transformation. This power is only exhibited through an unoffended heart and humility.

Matthew 16

- 1. No need for pride or man's power (5-12)
- 2. You have immense power. Nothing will stop you! (13-20)
- 3. It is not earthly power gained by earthly means. (21-23)
- 4. You must die to function in this power (24-28)

The Progression of Offense that brings Division:

1. Dwelling on your offense

2. Avoiding the person who offended you

3. Being critical of the one who offended you

Our King's Response to Division

- 1. Our King is not on an earthly side. "I have work to do. Will you join me?"
- 2. "Have Relationships with others just as I have relationship with the Father."
- 3. "Step into the problems with me with compassion"

Justice and Mercy are good news. The Ekklesia can't be stopped if we walk in Humility with our God. So, will we choose to walk with an unoffendable heart as a family?

- a. "What does it look like for us to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God?"
- b. "What does it look like for us seek first the Kingdom of God as a family?"