



Summary of Sermon

Ps Steve postponed his planned theme and spoke prophetically on *Hold steady through the 'fire.'* Many give up because of spiritual opposition just before breakthrough, but as in Daniel 3 the Lord is with us through the fire of difficult circumstances and opposition. Beware of the enemy strategy 1) to divide, 2) to prevent us seeing clearly, 3) to discourage or make weary, or 4) to attack through difficult circumstances.

Questions

1. Can you share a testimony of a relationship being restored or made stronger through avoiding “sideways conversations” and going in humility and love to someone who did or said something that hurt you?
2. Read Ephesians 4:1-6. Why does Paul say “keep,” “maintain” or “preserve” the unity of the Spirit? How would you describe unity and how can we maintain it?
3. Can you share stories of when you experienced spiritual attack and opposition (e.g. serious illness, employment circumstances, pressure from non-Christian family or friends, temptation to gossip or destroy unity, tiredness that is more than just natural)? How did God help you to deal with it? What did you learn as a result?
4. Pray for anyone going through “fire” at the moment. If they are not present, how else can you support them.