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Topic: United in God's Work

Scripture Text: 1 Samuel 11: 1-15

1. The world knows the importance of unity in a company or in a sports team. Christians are to be united in the work of the Lord according to His Word.
2. In v.1-3, we learn about the Push for Unity. The people of Jabesh-Gilead were in trouble as they were attacked by the Ammonites led by Nahash. They wanted to surrender and Nahash told them to thrust out their right eye in order to cut the covenant with him. The people of Jabesh-Gilead asked for 7 days to consider but they feared no one would come to their help.
3. God often uses problems and difficulties to awake us to be united to seek His help and grace to overcome the problems.
4. From v.4-7, we see the Demand for Unity. The Lord stirred up Saul and the fear of God fell upon the people of Israel to rise to help Jabesh-Gilead. They did not think of their own comfort.
5. In v.8-15, we see the Results of Unity. 330,000 Israelites were united to fight against the Ammonites and defeated them. The people at Jabesh- Gilead were uplifted and encouraged by the help of the brethren. Truly there is great blessings in true spiritual unity.