

**ORIGINS Pt 3**  
**“The Witness of Distinctness”**

**REVOLUTION OF INTIMACY**

- How does your life bear on the world around you?
- Can you reimagine how God’s Spirit and a New Unity might shape your answer?

This unity is beyond the tribal divisions that keep things the way they are.  
What do I mean by the way things are?  
I mean that in order for one group to win, another must lose. The idea of needed rivalry.

**EMPIRE**

Empire: the systems where power is currency to govern.

**DISTINCTNESS**

Something else governs the way we live our lives and the way we live with one another.

**UNIFIED LANGUAGE**

- A Redemptive Act of the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11)
- A Unifying Act to demonstrate belonging.

**Acts 2:38-40 NIV**

38 Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

40 With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.”

## Acts 2:42-47 NIV

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. 46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

## WITNESS OF DISTINCTNESS

Being saved from a generation does not require distance, but rather distinctness.

## THIS WITNESS REQUIRES

- A Radical Submission
- A Radical Devotion

## THE STRUGGLE TOWARDS A NEW UNITY

We struggle towards Jesus and His Lordship

We struggle towards Community and a New Unity

