

Series: The Power of Agreement (Week 1)

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Lesson Title: The Foundation of Agreement

Anchor Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:4 (NLT) – “Listen, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone.”

Big Idea

Agreement is not a strategy for reducing conflict but a divine reality rooted in the very nature of God. Before agreement ever becomes relational, it is theological. God exists in perfect unity within Himself, and humanity was created to live in alignment with who God is, what God desires, and what God purposes to accomplish in the world. True agreement flows from alignment with God's nature, character, will, Word, and purposes. When our lives are aligned with God, unity becomes possible, authority is released, and God's witness is made visible through His people. Agreement is not something God asks us to manufacture; it is something He invites us to reflect as we align ourselves with Him.

Key Insights

- **Agreement Is Rooted in the Nature of God:** God is unified, consistent, and whole in all that He is and all that He does. Scripture reveals that agreement is not something God practices when circumstances demand it; agreement is who God is. Because God is not divided or conflicted, His will, Word, and actions always align. Humanity is called into agreement not by preference, but by design. Agreement begins when we align ourselves with God's unchanging nature rather than personal opinions or emotions (Deuteronomy 6:4; Numbers 23:19; Malachi 3:6; John 10:30).
- **The Trinity Reveals Perfect Agreement Without Sameness:** God models unity without erasing distinction. The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit function in perfect agreement while maintaining distinct roles. This reveals that agreement does not require uniformity, but shared submission to the same purpose. Differences in gifting, calling, and expression are not the enemy of unity. Misalignment of will and purpose is. Biblical agreement allows diversity while preserving harmony rooted in truth and love (Matthew 3:16–17; John 1:1–3; John 14:16–17; 2 Corinthians 13:14).
- **Humanity Was Created From Agreement and For Agreement:** Agreement was woven into creation before sin ever entered the world. Humanity was formed within divine unity and designed to function in alignment with God and with one another. Broken relationships hurt because they violate our design. Conflict unsettles us because it disrupts God's original intention for unity. Agreement does not merely resolve issues; it restores identity, purpose, and peace (Genesis 1:26; Genesis 2:18; Ecclesiastes 4:9–12; Psalm 8:4–5).
- **Jesus Prays That Believers Reflect Divine Agreement:** Agreement among believers is central to Christian witness. Jesus prayed that His followers would reflect the same unity that exists between Him and the Father so that the world would believe. Unity is not optional or secondary; it directly impacts how Christ is seen by others. Agreement rooted in love, truth, and shared submission strengthens the credibility of the gospel and reveals God's nature to the world (John 17:20–23; John 13:34–35).

Application

1. We must align our lives with God's nature rather than our personal preference.
2. We must pursue unity without demanding sameness.
3. We must seek spiritual authority through obedience, not control.
4. We must recognize broken relationships as signs of misalignment with God's design.
5. We must live in agreement with God so His character is clearly reflected through us.

Closing Thought

Agreement is not something we create; it is something we reflect when our lives are aligned with God. Unity begins with who God is and flows into how we live, relate, and witness to the world. When believers walk in agreement with God, authority is strengthened, relationships are restored, and the gospel becomes visible through our lives. God has always been unified within Himself, and He calls His people to reflect that same alignment. As we choose agreement with God's nature, will, and purposes, we become living testimonies of His power, presence, and glory in the earth.