

Let's live  
like this

The program:  
**Unity**



We were living in Trent, Italy,  
during World War II.

In the air raid shelters, with  
the light of a candle, we read  
the Gospels.

One day we found this  
sentence in the Gospel of  
John: "Father, that they may  
all be one."

I told my friends: "This is our  
program: we will live in the  
world so that all may be one."

We were born for that passage of the Gospel. We were born to  
bring unity into the whole world, unity with God and unity among  
all our brothers and sisters in the human family.

But how can we bring unity to everyone? We understood the  
answer: we had to love one another in such a way that Christ  
would always be in our midst.

And, because He was present among us, we felt a greater joy  
than we had ever known before, a new peace, a new ardor. His  
light guided us!

Since Jesus was among us, people around us found or re-found  
their faith, the same faith we had, and people of all ages, of  
every social category, of all vocations joined us.

In this way we began to fulfill the dream of Jesus, for which  
he begged his Father before he died: "Father, that  
they all may be one."

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BRING PEACE  
WHEREVER  
WE ARE

«That they may all be one» (Jn 17:21)

Jesus says a long prayer to God, his  
Father, shortly before his death.

What does it mean when he  
asks that **we all be one**?

God created humanity as his family.  
His dream was that we would all be  
united among us and with him. **This  
is why Jesus asked his Father for  
the gift of unity for us, just like the  
unity between him and his Father.**

But I see many wars, conflicts  
and disunity in so many places,  
all over the world...

That's true, and that's why we have  
to say this prayer of Jesus' **every day**,  
confident that it will be answered.

So how can we contribute to  
bringing about unity?

We can, for example, ask ourselves  
before anything we do or decide: **is this  
the best way to bring about unity?**

But there are so many places  
where people don't live in peace!

What is required of us is to bring our  
love, which means listening, sharing,  
giving attention, precisely in those  
places: at school, in the family, at  
sports events...

**In my school...**  
I commit  
to be a peacemaker!

I'll color one of these every time  
I tried to be a peacemaker

