Theme: God commands a blessing upon those who are in Christ and walk in unity with their fellow believers.

I. Intro: Song of Ascents (132:13-15; 134:3)

- A. Group of Psalms 120-134
- B. In every title; probably used on way to festivals
- C. Key themes: Zion/Jerusalem; blessing
- D. Example: Psalm 132:13-15; 134:3
- E. Final teaching on blessing

II. A Look At Psalm 133 and the Blessing

- A. Look! (הַנֶּה) brothers in unity (v1)
 - 1. Brothers dwelling in unity festival? (v1)
 - 2. Good and pleasant/delightful (v1)
- B. Good and pleasant like anointing oil (v2)
 - 1. Smells and feels good (Pr 27:9; Jo 12:3)
 - 2. Oil consecrated Aaron (v2; Ex 30:25,30)
- C. Good and pleasant like dew (v3)
 - 1. Sustains/refreshes in Israel (Gen 27:28; Hos 14:5)
 - 2. Dew of Hermon on Zion! (v3; photo supplies Jordan)
- D. There God commands blessing eternal life! (v3)

- 1. Direction of Psalm descending blessing (v2-3)
- 2. Only verb in whole Psalm commands! (v3)
- 3. There God blesses Zion, gathered people (v3)
- 4. God blesses His gathered, united people w/ eternal life!

III. Jesus and Psalm 133

- A. Jesus unites God's people (Jo 10:16; [Rev 7:9-10])
- B. Jesus is our High Priest (Heb 3:1; rest of book)
- C. Jesus fully anoints us with the Spirit (Acts 2:33)
- D. Jesus brings us to New Jerusalem (Heb 12:22-24)
- E. Jesus gives us eternal life (1Jo 5:11-12)

IV. Applying the Word - Receiving the Blessing

- A. Are you in Christ where God commands blessing?
 - 1. There is no other path to blessing
 - 2. He is the High Priest you need come to Him!
- B. Are you united with God's people?
 - 1. When we take Christ, we take His people
 - 2. Are you part of a local church, in unity?
 - 3. If not, you are forfeiting blessing!

C. Come to the Table –and be blessed!

Where God Commands A Blessing

Psalm 133 November 11, 2007 Communion Hebrews 13:20-21

- 9 Oil and perfume make the heart glad, and the sweetness of a friend comes from his earnest counsel. Proverbs 27:9 (ESV)
- 3 Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. John 12:3
- 25 Make these into a sacred anointing oil, a fragrant blend, the work of a perfumer. It will be the sacred anointing oil... 30 Anoint Aaron and his sons and consecrate them so they may serve me as priests. Ex 30:25, 30
- 28 May God give you of heaven's dew and of earth's richness-- an abundance of grain and new wine. Genesis 27:28
- 5 I will be like the dew to Israel; he will blossom like a lily. Like a cedar of Lebanon he will send down his roots; Hosea 14:5
- 16 I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. John 10:16
- 1 Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, the apostle and high priest whom we confess. Heb 3:1
- 33 Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. Acts 2:33
- 22 But you have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, 23 to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. //// You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect, 24 to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. Heb 12:22-24
- 11 And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 12He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. 1 John 5:11-12

¹⁶ Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? ¹⁷ Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. 1 Corinthians 10:16-17