

Ecumenical Prayer Service
1/23/08

Trading My Sorrows (while setting up screen)
Blessed Be Your Name
Marvelous Light

Share a few minutes about Christian Unity & Victoria

- Shared experiences
- God using tragedy to bring people together
- Why wait for tragedy to unite us
- Bring your negative thoughts of others to the cross. God can replace judgment with love
- We could change the world
- Victoria is united with God forever. We must wait in the temporal for that gift of the eternal. But God desires us to be united with one another until we return home to Him.

Start music for *I Can Only Imagine*
Scripture--2 Corinthians 4:16-17

“So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed every day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison because we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.”

I Can Only Imagine

Start music for *We Are One Body*
Scripture--Ephesians 4:1-5

“I [Paul], urge you to live in manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.”

Prayer together: Almighty and Eternal God, You gather the scattered sheep and watch over those You have gathered. Look kindly on all who follow Jesus, Your Son. You have marked them with the seal of one baptism; now make them one in fullness of faith and unite them in the bond of love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We Are One Body