

The spread of Congregational principles through the earth can also be noticed in the tendencies of men at the present time in several communions and countries to resist the arbitrary exercise of ecclesiastical authority, and test both doctrine and practice by the Word of God.

**CONGREGATIONALISM AND CHRISTIAN UNION.**—If the principles of Congregationalism were adopted, instead of a number of Churches struggling for existence in sparsely settled districts, persons holding different views on non-essential questions, might organize union Churches on a basis sufficiently liberal to admit those who love Christ, without any one having to give up his conscientious opinions.

No religious body can hope by legislation, ecclesiastical or civil, to induce men to worship in a uniform manner. Congregationalists look for the fulfilment of the prayer of Christ, that all His people may be one, in "the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

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"Grace be with ALL them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity."—EPH. 6. 24.

"Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is Liberty."—2 COR. 3. 17.

"God is a Spirit; and they that worship Him, must worship Him in Spirit and in truth."—JOHN 4. 24.

"One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."—EPH. 4. 5, 6.

"Unto Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages; world without end. Amen."