



CHILDREN'S ministry

Sunday, May 2, 2021
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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR EPHESIANS 4:7-16

1. In what way(s), did God speak to you today through His Spirit and His Word?
2. Why is it important to remember that God's church is dependent on Him both for grace and for growth?
3. Can a congregation "grow" without God-given growth? Why should we not want to do so?
4. How can you use Ephesians 4:7-16 to disciple someone to understand being a Christian is not just about being a spectator on Sundays, but a servant on all days?
5. How has the professionalization of the ministry (meaning we have more vocational ministers than ever before in the world) sometimes worked against every member ministering?
6. What does it look like when saints are being equipped for the ministry?
7. Read Hebrews 13:17. Do you make it easy for those who are trying to help you mature in your faith or do you make it difficult?
8. Why do you think Paul says we are to keep equipping the saints until "all" are mature and ministering? How difficult is it to see all members of a congregation maturing and ministering?
9. Paul's hope is "that we may no longer be children" who are immature in the faith. Why do you think some who've been members of congregations for many years are still so immature in their faith?
10. When Paul says, "We are to grow up in every way into Him who is the Head, into Christ," what ways do you think you are not growing in Christ?
11. Is there anyone to whom you find it difficult to speak the Truth in love? Why or why not?
12. Is Hebron able to grow because you are doing your part in maturing and ministering? Or is Hebron being held back because of your disobedience?
13. Why do you think the overall aim of all the equipping, serving, building, and maturing is love?
14. Where do you think Hebron is currently on Ephesians 4:11-16 being a reality for us?