

Unified Whole Body and
Each Member Maturing
Ephesians 4:11-16

Walk as
Children 5:8
of Light

The King's call is not to just
show up
but to grow up and build up



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Ephesians 4:11 And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, **12** for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; **13** until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. **14** As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; **15** but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, **16** from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

Ephesians 4:7 But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. **8** Therefore it says, "WHEN HE ASCENDED ON HIGH, HE LED CAPTIVE A HOST OF CAPTIVES, AND HE GAVE GIFTS TO MEN."

3. We are called out to use grace-gifts to build up others.

Ephesians 4:1 Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the **calling** with which you have been **called**,

1. Live out your calling with the story of redemption in mind.

Surrendering: 

By grace, I submit myself fully in loving service to The King.

Abiding:

By grace, I apply The Word to life until it becomes a lifestyle.

Worshiping:

By grace, I exalt God in everything I do.



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Go early & often to The Gospel & God's glory.



Children Are Impressionable & Can Be Naive
The Storms of Life Can Swallow Up the Truth
Listen to God's Voice—Not the Deceivers Voice

Ephesians 4:2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, **3** being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. **4** There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were **called** in one hope of your **calling**; **5** one Lord, one faith, one baptism, **6** one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.

2. The gospel calls us out to spread love and gather unity.

Gathering:

By grace, I give myself to others in relationship as Christ body.

Loving:

By grace, I serve, care for & encourage my siblings in Christ.

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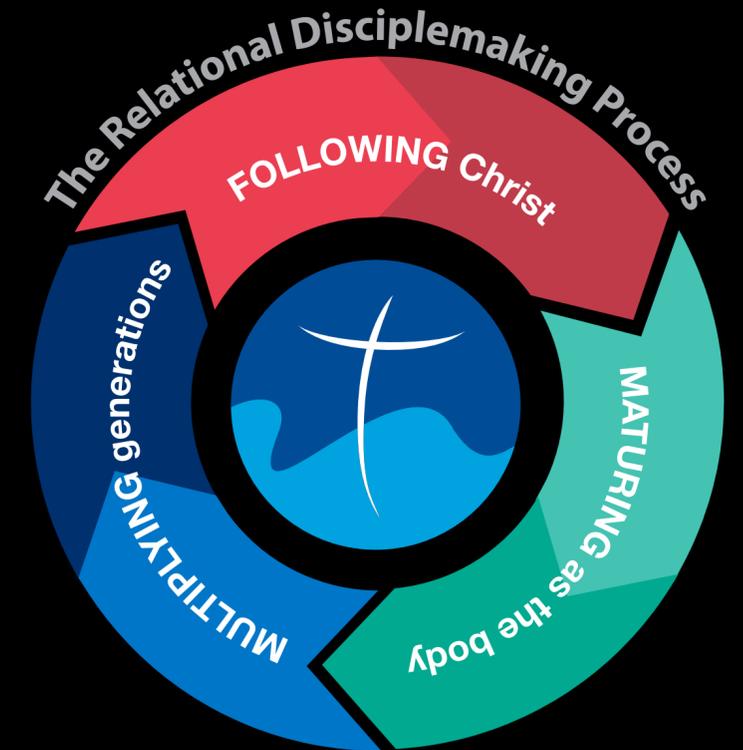
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Maturing as Members of the Body of Christ
Building up the body of Christ. Gathering unity.

Equipping:

By grace, I make disciples with the life God has given me.



Equipping Kingdom Citizens

one person at a time until all have heard.

Embodying, **through grace**, the priorities of a disciple & passing them along in relationship for God's glory.

COMMUNITY—COMMON UNITY

1. We share common scriptures (speaking the truth in love).
2. We share a common language with common definitions.
3. We share a common practice with a common pattern.
4. This provides a common experience.

Gospel/Grace

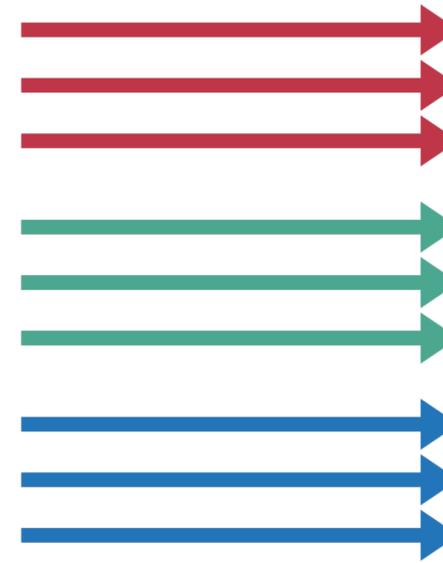


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God's Glory

Priorities/Picture/Pathway



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Pattern to Practice

