

**EQUIPPING & EDIFYING THE BODY OF CHRIST**  
(Ephesians 4:12-16) pt 3

- I. **Our Wealth In Christ (chp1-3)**
- II. **Our Walk In Christ (4:1-6:9)**

A. **We Are to Walk Worthy of Our Calling (4:1-6)**

B. **We Are to Walk Worthy Based on Gifted Men Christ gave to His Church (4:11-16)**

- Who are these gifted men?
  1. The first 3 were given to the \_\_\_\_\_ church as a whole, while the pastor/teacher is given to the \_\_\_\_\_ church.
  2. The **universal church** is an invisible spiritual \_\_\_\_\_, while the **local church** is a visible physical local \_\_\_\_\_ of believers and should have \_\_\_\_\_!
  3. The pastor teacher was given to \_\_\_\_\_ local bodies of believers for \_\_\_\_\_ in the body of Christ! (4:12)
- Well how long is this to take? (4:13-ff)
  4. In verses 13-15, we can see \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ flowing out of vs 12!
    - a. There is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_. (4:13; Acts 2)
    - b. There is \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ (4:13b) ...by means of ... “\_\_\_\_\_ *of the Son of God*”  
“knowledge” (epignosis)
      - c. There should be spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ occurring ... in becoming ... “a \_\_\_\_\_ *man,*  
*unto the stature of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ*”

“perfect” (teleios)

“fullness” (pleroma) {play'-ro-mah}

d. There should be spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ in life – that they would be no longer... “ \_\_\_\_\_  
*tossed to & fro and carried about with \_\_\_\_\_ of doctrine...*”

- What is involved in this being “*carried about*”?
- Who is behind this?

e. There should be effective \_\_\_\_\_ going on (4:15a) ...by “*speaking the \_\_\_\_\_ in love*”

f. There should be spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ happening(4:15b) ... that you “*may \_\_\_\_\_ in all things into Him – \_\_\_\_\_*”

- Salvation/justification happens at a \_\_\_\_\_ in time (it’s a spiritual birth), while spiritual growth happens through a \_\_\_\_\_ of time (as growth takes \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and personal \_\_\_\_\_)
- *Who* is the key who makes all this happen?

5. Paul summarizes this section of scripture in vs 16 by telling us ... it is all “*from whom?*”- from \_\_\_\_\_, that all this occurs!

- It is through \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ that the whole body is \_\_\_\_\_ together
- It is because of His word & Spirit working \_\_\_\_\_ that every joint (person) does \_\_\_\_\_
- It is because of His \_\_\_\_\_ via His \_\_\_\_\_, that supplies what is \_\_\_\_\_ to every part of the body
- All this is what produces \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ people in the church unto the edifying of itself in love!

- What does this mean to us here at GGBC?

It means ... if we \_\_\_\_\_ His teaching via His word, the Church of Jesus Christ will go right on \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ on until He calls us all home one day!