

Ephesians 4:1-16

Discussion Questions:

1. Paul referred to himself in chapter 3 as a Prisoner of Christ and he begins chapter 4 stating the same thing. Why do you think he mentions that twice as he sat in house arrest as a prisoner of Rome at the time of this letter? What was he trying to convey, and what does that tell you about his mindset?
2. What was Paul's concern and then encouragement for the whole of the church in vs 3? Why would that be so important to him but most important, to God? It's important to remember the church are all Christians, not just who you see in Church every Sunday.
3. What are all the parallels of David's Psalms 68:18 and the Gospel message that Paul felt led to quote?
4. All spiritual blessings are yours the moment you give your heart to Jesus, but not every Christian has the same spiritual gifts. That's because the needs in the church vary. Do you know your spiritual gift that, when used, contributes to the maturing of the church body? And are you using it?
5. Why is it important for the members of the body, to reach maturity? In verse 16 what is the key that separates using your gift as a duty, verses using it with praise and joy in your heart because it glorifies the Father? How can you tell the difference?