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Eph. 4:11-16

General:

- When you think back over this past year, what's one moment that stands out as especially meaningful or formative for you?
- If you were to create a "mixtape" of your year, what would one of the tracks be titled? Why?
- How does hearing other people's stories of faith impact your own walk with God?
- When you hear the word 'ministry,' what do you instinctively think of? How did this message reshape or expand that understanding?
- What stands out to you about the fact that Jesus gives people (apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, teachers) rather than programs or structures?
- What do you think it means for the Church to grow into "the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ"?
- How is Paul's vision of maturity in this passage more corporate than individual?
- What might it look like for you to come to church in the next season with a clearer intention to grow into Christlikeness?
- Where might God be inviting you to take one step toward deeper participation in the body He is forming?

Take Home 1: The reason we gather is to become mature (Eph. 4:13-14)

- When you think about your approach to church, do you come primarily to attend or to be formed? What's the difference?
- How would you define spiritual maturity in your own words? How does that compare to Paul's vision of maturity in this passage?
- In what ways have you noticed growth in your faith over this past year?

Take Home 2: The Body of Christ isn't complete without you (Eph. 4:16)

- Do you tend to view your faith as something primarily personal or something deeply communal? Why?
- How connected do you currently feel to the people of your church?
- What makes it difficult for you to fully engage in Christian community?
- How might withholding yourself from community affect not only you, but the people God has placed around you?

Take Home 3: Every Christian is called into ministry (Eph. 4:11-12)

- How does seeing ministry as service rather than platform change how you view your role in the Church?
- What's your ministry? Where has God placed you to reflect Jesus right now?
- (In your relationships? Work? Stage of life? Experiences?)
- Where might God be inviting you to participate more fully in building up the body of Christ?