

This Is Where I Belong

GROWING UP IN THE BODY

Ephesians 4:11-16



STUDENT GUIDE



CONTEXT

Paul writes to the church to show that belonging to the Body of Christ means we are called to _____ and _____ together.



KEY IDEA

The Body of Christ grows and functions properly when every believer is _____, _____, and _____.

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LEADERS EQUIP THE BODY (vv. 11-12)

1. God gave leaders to _____ the saints.
2. The work of ministry belongs to the _____.
3. The church is built when everyone is _____.

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THE GOAL IS MATURITY (vv. 13-14)

1. God's goal is spiritual _____.
2. Immature believers are easily _____.
3. Mature believers are spiritually _____.

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EVERY PART CONTRIBUTES (vv. 15-16)

1. We grow by speaking the truth in _____.
2. The whole body is joined and held _____.
3. Growth happens when each part does its _____.



DIGGING DEEPER

1. Why do some people remain spiritually immature?

2. What happens when people don't use their gifts?

3. How does your growth impact others in the church?



DID YOU KNOW?

The early church depended on every believer, not just leaders, to grow and spread the gospel. Christianity expanded because people understood their role in the Body.



LIVE IT! (APPLICATION)

QUESTION:

What is one area where you need to grow so you can better contribute to the Body?

APPLICATION:

1. Identify where you need _____.
2. Commit to using your _____.
3. Stay _____ to the Body.