

The River Church

50/50 Bible Study Challenge - Week 23

Ephesians Chapter 4

Memory Verse: Ephesians 4:13 (NASB95): 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.

Talking points:

Verse 1-3

-What is the calling that Paul is referring to? Is it for every Christian?

-What are some ways to put verse two into action in our daily lives?

-What is the catalyst that Paul lists to make it possible to be humble, patient and gentle? Is it emotional or spiritual? How do we get it and apply it?

Verse 3-6

-What is the bonding agent in verse 3?

-Is this verse still critical in the Church in 2023? If so how do we apply it?

-After reading verse 4-6. Do you think that there is going to be different religions or factions in heaven?

- Paul defines unity and oneness in the Kingdom of God.

-What are some ways we can apply this knowledge in our own church and community of believers?

Verse 7-10

What is the Gift or Grace that Christ bestowed on us?

Verse 11-13

Is the fivefold ministry still something for today? What tool or benchmark did Paul give us in verse thirteen to know?

-Why do you think none of the church have an issue with recognizing Teachers, Pastors or Evangelists but take issue with Prophets and Apostles?

Verse 14-16

-Is the purpose of the fivefold ministry in the Church to control or equip, mature and empower?

-After reading verse 14-16. Would you say that the fivefold ministry is critical for the body to function, mature and operate and grow?

Verse 17-24

-What are the defining factors stated between believers and unbelievers in verse 17-18.

-Paul talks about a decision in these verses. What is it? Is this a one-time decision?

-Is this a singular decision or does heaven empower it?

Verse 25-32

-Paul lists some practical ways to keep ourselves united in the body.
List some of them.

-What is the value of this list in our lives? How do we apply this knowledge personally and corporately?

-How do we give place to the devil in our own lives?

-How do we grieve the Holy Spirit?

-Verse 31-32 describes laying things aside and picking up others.
Is it that easy? What is the key word in verse 31 that tells you how it is to be accomplished?

In verse 32 Paul describes how we are to conduct ourselves. When we find ourselves doing the opposite how do we bring ourselves back to center?

