



Community Group Sermon Discussion

Read Ephesians 4:1-16 and recap the sermon.

1. What stood out to you from the sermon or passage? What convicted you? What comforted you?
2. How have your unhealthy or unbiblical expectations of church kept you from appreciating, valuing, or loving a local church body?
3. In the sermon we said four of our faulty expectations of church are:
 - i. Everyone in the church should just get along.
 - ii. My priorities should be everyone's priorities.
 - iii. Ministry is something church leaders do.
 - iv. My growth is other people's responsibility.

We said instead the reality is:

- i. Unity takes work.
 - ii. God gives different people different gifts.
 - iii. Ministry is something we all do.
 - iv. Everybody growing is everybody's job.
- a. Which of these faulty expectations do you lean towards or hold?
 - b. How does the corresponding reality help you better love, appreciate, and serve your church family?
4. When approaching your role in our church family, how can you have an entrepreneurial spirit and 'own it'?
 5. How does the church being all about the glory of Christ help you learn to love it and belong to it more?
 6. Pray that we wouldn't let the fictional church in our mind keep us from the tangible church in front of us. That we would see that the church is actually about Christ, not about our preferences, comforts and desires.