

## Ephesians 4:1-16 - The Unity of the Spirit

### **1) You are united - so keep the unity of the Spirit**

(v1-6)

#### **For further discussion**

- When does our diversity as Christians become challenging?
- v1-6: What does it mean to live a life worthy of the calling you have received? Why is v2 important? When do you struggle with those things and why? Is unity worth having no matter what? Why/why not?
- v7-12a: How do we benefit from Jesus' victory? What are the different word ministries in v11? Who does ministry in the church? How many different examples of works of service can you think of, both within church gatherings and out in the world? What will equip us for them?
- v12b-16: What is the goal of all this? How hard is it to speak the truth in love? Which of truth and love do you tend to do more naturally? How does Paul's goal in v15-16 help us to work out what speaking the truth in love might look like?

### **2. You are being equipped by God's word - so listen**

(v7-12a)

### **3. You are heading for maturity - so build one another up in love**

(v12b-16)