# **R-Group Questions**

*Ephesians 4:11-16* 

# MAIN POINT: Christ Equips the Church to Grow in Christlikeness

## **I. Gifts to Grow (11-12)**

Who has been an influential person in your life to help you grow spiritually? How did they teach you and help you to grow spiritually?

Do you think that ministry is done by the "professionals" only? Or do you believe that everyone is a minister? What does ministry look like in your life?

How have you used your gifts to do the "work of ministry"? How has serving in the church helped you in growing to become like Jesus?

What might be some obstacles to hinder someone from investing in and participating by serving in the local church? What might you do to encourage someone to get involved?

#### II. Goal of Growth (13-14)

What are the three goals listed in Ephesians 4:13?

What is unity of faith (see Ephesians 4:3-6)? Is unity uniformity? Can we have unity despite differences? What is the key to achieving unity in our church?

What does it mean to know Jesus? What does a personal relationship look like with him in your daily life?

What might distract us and keep us from becoming more like Jesus and becoming mature spiritual believers?

# III. Group Growth (15-16)

Why do we need each other to grow spiritually? Have you found this to be true in your life?

Paul mentions love twice in these two verses, why do think love is central to church life? How does this reflect the character of Christ (Ephesians 5:2)?

Even though church life can difficult, what is rewarding and purposeful in it?

Let's pray how God can use each one of you when we enter our ministry center!