LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION

Jesus gives gifts to grow His church pt. 3

1. ***The expectation: you're to grow up (v. 15a)***
2. ***The purpose: promote the truth in love (v. 15b)***
3. ***The source: Christ Himself supplies (v. 15c)***
4. ***The effort: each person working (v. 16a)***
5. ***The effect: love-fueled maturity (v. 16b)***

1. We are to grow up in doctrine and life. What are errors that mislead believers today? Are there examples in your own life of errors that you used to believe that you have now grown in?

2. What does it mean to speak the truth? What does speaking the truth without love look like and have you witnessed or engaged in it? What does it look like to love without the truth and how have you witnessed or engaged in it? What areas are challenging for you in this command? The speaking the truth part? The love part?

3. How does the scripture describe itself as the Word of God? Think of passages that both promote what it is and what it does. What should this mean for your life?

4. As a church we are called to live for the Lord, but not based on our own strength or in our own wisdom. To mature as a Christian is to grow in our understanding of Jesus Christ and to obey His commands. What does it look like for you to cultivate your relationship with Jesus specifically as the 2nd member of the trinity?

5. The functionality of the body works properly when everything is individually working properly. Have you passed along ministry believing that only "qualified" people such as deacons or elders can handle the task? Have you pursued or taken on ministry you were not ready to handle? How, as an individual, can you know you are a functioning part of a corporate body?