

The Church

The Hope of the World?

A STUDY OF EPHESIANS

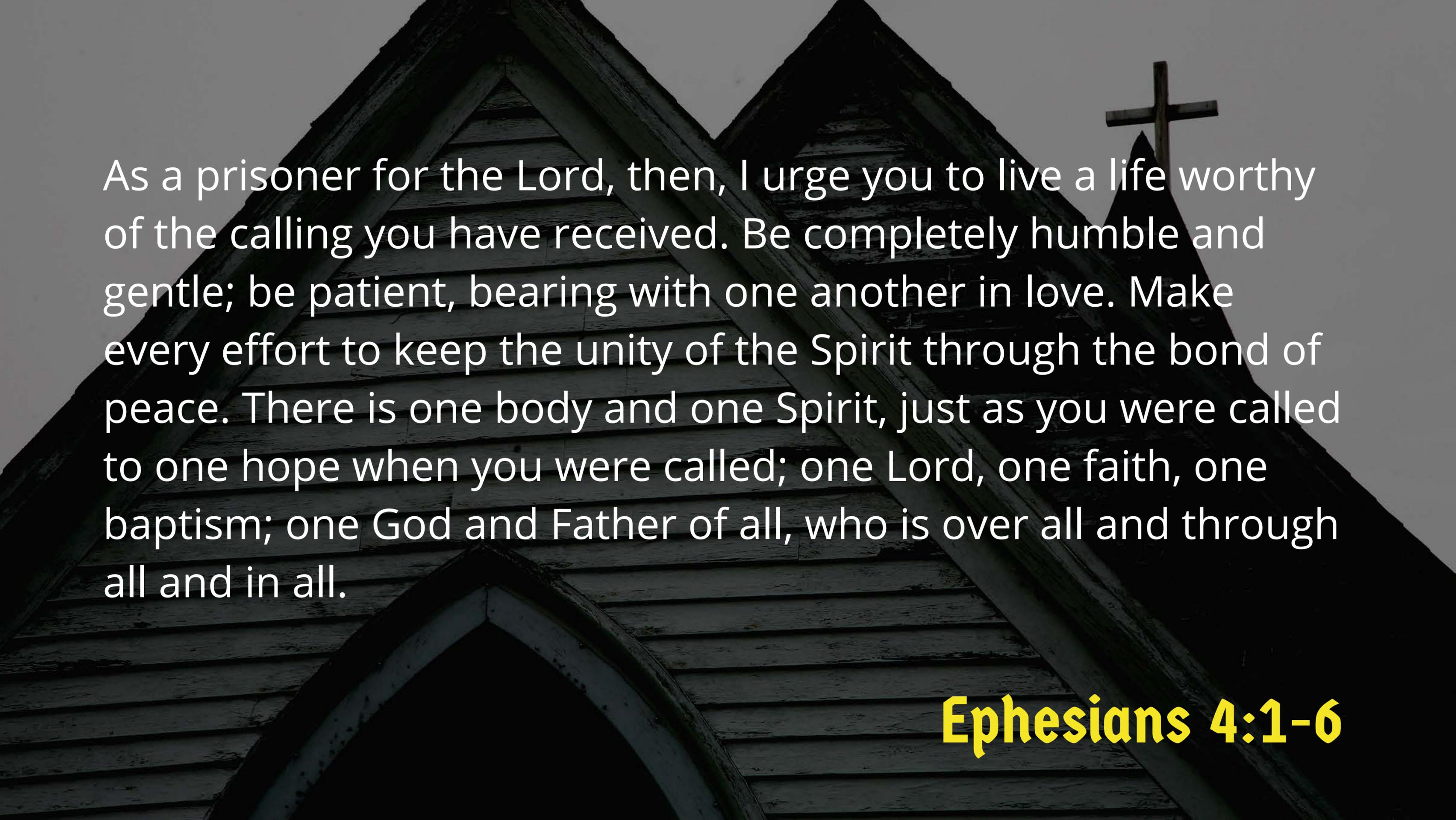
Sundays | Life Point | June & July

The Two Roles of Parenting

1. Teaching unconditional love

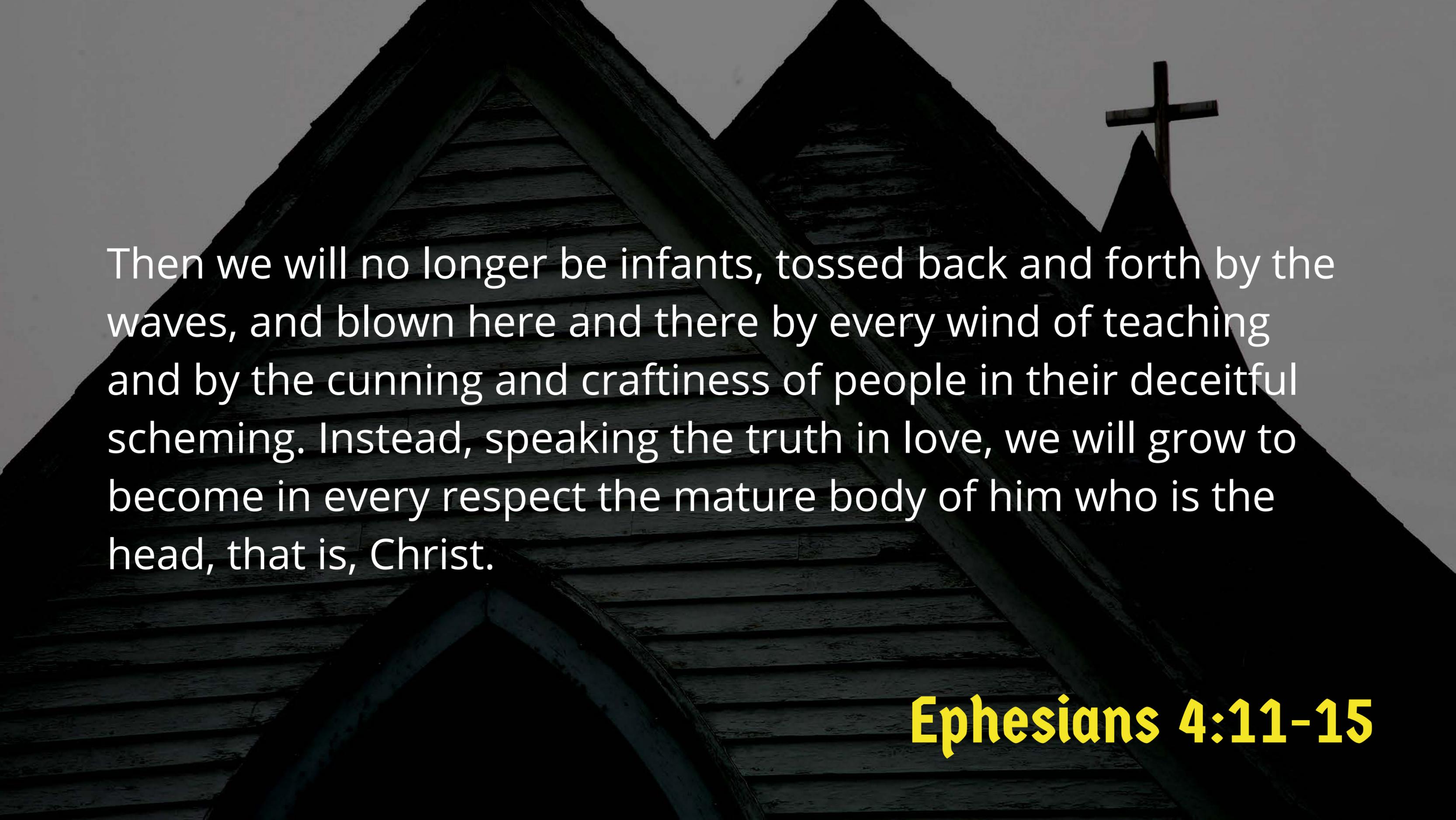
2. Helping them to grow up





As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Ephesians 4:1-6



Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-15

SIGNS OF SPIRITUAL INFANCY IN EPHESIANS 4

Impatience and annoyance with people - v2

Feeling of being unequipped - v12

Up and down faith - v14

Led astray easily - (temptation, new teaching) v14

Don't see the church as needing you - v16

Living like a unbeliever - v17

Sexual impurity - v19

Not open and honest - v25

Ruled by anger - v26

Not useful to society - v28

Unwholesome talk - v29

Disobedience to God's Spirit - v30

Bitterness - v31

Gossip and slander - v31

Unkindness and Unforgiveness- v32

Greedy and consuming - v19

Faking and pretending - v25

How To Grow Up...

1. Give yourself to church community

“From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.”

Ephesians 4:16

How To Grow Up...

2. Be Honest and Authentic

Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ."
Ephesians 4:15 NIV

"Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbour, for we are all members of one body."
Ephesians 4:25 NIV

How To Grow Up...

3. Throw out the old, put on the new

You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

Ephesians 4:22-24



Our goal is to
make Jesus known
and see thousands of
lives transformed
by the gospel

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