

THE CHURCH



Discussion Questions 10/4/26

The Church Grows Together

Intro: The church grows together by building on the unity we already have in Christ and recognizing that our differences and spiritual gifts are meant to strengthen rather than divide us. As each person takes responsibility for using their gifts, acting on truth in love, and remaining open to one another, the whole church grows in both maturity and size as we become more like Jesus.

Story: Has the church helped you to grow? Share how God has met you through the church.

Read: Ephesians 4:1-16

1. How do we live worthy of our calling to the gospel?
2. Consider the global church and the vast number of denominations. Why is it so much easier to define ourselves by our differences than by the commonality in Jesus?
3. How can we know if we are becoming more spiritually mature?
4. Read Numbers 11. Moses was overwhelmed and as God provides assistance through the power of the Spirit Moses ends up saying that he wishes all of God's people would have the Spirit. Because of the work of Jesus on the cross, Moses' desire has come true. Consider what it meant to have the Spirit in Numbers 11. What does having the Spirit mean for your involvement in the church?
5. We each have a responsibility to help the church grow. What is one practical way you could use your gifts, invest in someone, or share the gospel this week?

Pray:

- For our unity.
- For clarity in how God desires to use you.
- For your oikos.