

Equipped for the Work

I. Christ Gives _____ to the Church.

II. Their Roll Is to _____ The Church.

III. Doing _____ Builds a _____.

IV. _____ Protects the Church.

V. _____ Happens Through _____ and _____.

VI. What This Means for _____.

Group Questions

1. When you hear the word “ministry,” what do you instinctively think of? How does [Ephesians 4:11–12](#) challenge or reshape that understanding?
2. Paul says leaders exist to “equip the saints for the work of ministry.” What does that suggest about the role of every believer in the church?
3. Why do you think many Christians slip into a spectator mindset rather than an engaged one? What factors—personal or cultural—contribute to that?
4. Verse 13 connects ministry with spiritual maturity. How have you personally grown through doing ministry rather than just learning about it?
5. Paul warns against being “tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine.” What are some modern “winds” that can distract or destabilize believers today?
6. The sermon emphasized that maturity brings protection. In what ways does active participation in the body help strengthen discernment and resilience?
7. [Ephesians 4:15](#) calls us to speak the truth in love. Why is it tempting to emphasize one without the other, and what happens when we do?
8. Paul uses the image of a body where every part must work properly. What happens to a church when certain members disengage—or when a few do everything?
9. Where do you see God gifting you to serve others right now? What might it look like to take one intentional step toward using that gift?
10. This sermon calls us to move from attendance to participation. What is one concrete way you can engage more fully in the life and mission of the church this season?