

# The Goal of Ministry

Ephesians 4:11-12

**Introduction:** God's design for His church.

## I. The Gifted Men Given to the Church v. 11

### A. The Apostles

1. Ephesians 2:20
2. 1 Corinthians 9:1
3. Hebrews 2:1-4 ; 2 Corinthians 12:12
4. Acts 2:42
5. Ephesians 3:5

### B. The Prophets - Ephesians 2:20

### C. Evangelists

### D. Teaching-Shepherds: lead and feed

1. Acts 20:28
2. 1 Peter 5:1-3

## II. The Goal of Ministry Defined for the Church v. 12

### A. "for the equipping of the saints"

1. Our Position
  - a. Hebrews 10:14
  - b. Colossians 2:10
2. Our Practice
  - a. Colossians 1:28
  - b. Hebrews 13:20
  - c. 1 Peter 5:10
  - d. Matthew 5:48
  - e. 2 Timothy 3:16
  - f. Acts 6:2-4

### B. "for the work of the ministry"

### C. "for the building up of the body of Christ"