

8. According to Hebrews 2:1-4, God authenticated the apostles' ministry with what?
9. Acts 2:42 tells us that the early church studied what?
10. Who were the "prophets" as spoken of by Paul in Ephesians 4?
11. The role of the "prophet" would be similar what role today?
12. Strictly speaking, are there any prophets today?
13. In the New Testament, an evangelist was someone who did what:
 - a. Went to a place where _____ wasn't named.
 - b. Won people to _____.
 - c. He established a _____ and trained _____ to take over the leadership.
 - d. Then he moved to a new area.
14. An evangelist is someone with the ability to go into an area and establish a what?
15. What are the two views of the fourth group referred to by Paul in Ephesians 4:11?
 - a. Some feel it is two groups:_____
 - b. Others feel the Greek construction indicates that it should be translated _____.
16. The word "Pastor" describes the function of what?
17. Every other place in the Bible where a pastor is referred to, he is called what?
18. What are two terrible titles given to the pastor?
19. Who is supposed to be the "minister(s)"?
20. What two words did Paul use to summarize the function of teaching-shepherds?
21. The leader leads by example and precept and then he feeds by means of what?
22. Why did Jesus Christ give these men to the church (Eph.4:12)?
23. Paul used the word, "Saints" to refer to who?
24. God's great heart desire is for you, as one of His children to be what?
25. The goal of ministry is what?
26. What are some things that perfect us:
 - a. T_____ (James 1)
 - b. S_____ (I Peter 5)
 - c. The _____ (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
27. Why are so many churches in our nation so weak?
28. What does Jesus want, when it comes to the body and ministry?
29. A believer who is a spiritual cul-de-sac with no spiritual outlet is a what?
30. According to Ephesians 4:12, when believers are mature they will do what?
31. What is the work of the ministry that mature saints do?
32. To whom does the ministry belong?
33. When the body does the ministering what happens?
34. Are you growing and changing? Why or why not?

EXAMPLE COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of August 30th

- Carefully read Ephesians 4 and 1 Corinthians 12.
- According to 1 Cor. 12:7, every Christian has been given a spiritual gift for the common good of the church. What gift do you believe the Lord has given you? _____

- What are some practical ways to use your spiritual gift within the context of a community group? _____

- Describe the process of spiritual growth given in Ephesians 4:11-16.

- Practicing the “one-anothers” of Scripture is a way to be involved in ministry. List five one-anothers from Scripture with their reference.

- What one-another of Scripture do you find to be most challenging?

- Read James 5:16. How does confessing our sins to other believers bring about healing? _____

- Read Phil. 3:12-16. The Apostle Paul did not consider himself perfectly mature in his walk with Christ but rather pressed on to further godliness. How are you personally pressing-on to godliness? How can we help each other press on to godliness? _____

Sermon Prep:

Read Mark 13 and Matthew 24-25.

THE GOAL OF MINISTRY Ephesians 4:11-12

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon “**The Goal of Ministry**”. All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- Ephesians 4:11-16 outlines God’s what?
- In the church at Laodicea, Jesus Christ was outside the church trying to get in to do what?
- The key phrase in Ephesians 4:11-16 is what (in v.12)?
- When Jesus Christ ascended, He did at least what three things to insure the continuance of His church:
 - He sent the _____
 - He also _____ every Christian to be able to minister, so that when we all function together we manifest _____.
 - He gave certain _____ to function in leadership capacities.
- Ephesians 4:7-8 tell us, along with other passages in the N.T. that the Lord gifted every believer to be able to what?
- According to Ephesians 2:20, what role did the apostles play in the church?
- According to I Corinthians 9:1, an apostle had to have seen what/who?

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