

# HERE WE GROW!

Ephesians 4:4-10

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The body of Christ will grow when:

- We build our FELLOWSHIP around the CENTRAL TRUTHS of the GOSPEL.
  
- We SERVE the body by UTILIZING our GOD-GIVEN gifts.

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Scriptures quoted or referred to, in order of topics discussed: **Body Building:** Eph 4:12, 16; **One Spirit:** John 16:7-11; 12:32; 14:26; 16:13; Acts 9:31; John 10:27; Eph 1:13-14; 1 Cor 6:19; John 3:3-8; 2 Cor 5:17; Eph 3:16; Luke 24:49; Act 1:8; **One Body:** Col 1:13; 1 Cor 12:13; Eph 5:25; 2:23; 3:21; 2:7; 3:10; **One Hope:** 1:18; Titus 2:13; Col 3:4; 1 John 3:2-3; Rom 8:1; **One Lord:** Rom 10:9; Eph 3:17; **One Faith:** Rom 3:11, 20-24; Titus 3:5; **One Baptism:** Gal 3:27; Rom 6:3-4; Col 2:12; 1 Cor 12:13; **One God/Father:** Deut 6:4; Jer 23:24; Psa 139:7-10; Acts 17:26-27; Eph 1:4-5; **Gifting:** 1 Cor 12:7-11; Rom 12:6-8; Psa 139:13; 1Pet 4:10; Eph 2:7-8; Psa 62:8,18; **'Descension/Ascension:'** Phil 2:6-11; John 17:5; Eph 2:2; 1 Pet 3:19; Luke 16:19-31; **Goal:** Eph 5:19

# FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. What are some of the reasons God wants us in fellowship together?
  
2. How can you make your relationships within the body of Christ more meaningful?
  
3. What common goal(s) might we share as followers of Christ?
  
4. What gift(s) do you feel the Lord has graced you with?
  
5. How can we help each other discover and use our gifts to build the body of Christ?

"I have come home at last! This is my real country! I belong here. This is the land I have been looking for all my life, though I never knew it till now. . . . Come further up, come further in!" — C.S. Lewis, The Last Battle