

# Windbreakers

## Open with Prayer Requests

### Read Ephesians 4:11–13

- According to this passage, what gifts has Christ given to the church?
- What is the purpose of apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers?
- How do these roles help believers grow toward maturity in Christ?
- Why is unity in faith and knowledge important for the church?
- How have you personally benefited from spiritual leaders or teachers in your life?

### Read Ephesians 4:14

- What does it mean to be “infants” in the faith?
- Why are immature believers more vulnerable to false teaching?
- What are some examples today of being “tossed back and forth” by different teachings?
- How can we grow to become more spiritually stable and discerning?
- What role does spiritual maturity play in recognizing truth versus error?

### Read Matthew 7:15–20

- What warning does Jesus give about false prophets?
- What does it mean to recognize someone “by their fruit”?
- What kind of “fruit” should we be looking for in a teacher or leader?
- Why is it not enough for someone to simply claim to be a Christian or teacher?
- How can this principle help us evaluate the voices we listen to today?

### Read Matthew 7:7–8

- What promise does Jesus give to those who seek?
- What does it look like to genuinely seek truth rather than comfort or affirmation?
- Why can seeking truth sometimes be uncomfortable or challenging?
- How have you experienced growth through difficult or challenging truths?
- How would you define the “righteous path”?
- Why is it especially important for new believers to have guidance and support?
- Have you ever felt intimidated or unsure in your faith journey? What helped you grow?
- What are some common sources of confusion or false teaching in today’s world?
- With so many voices (podcasts, books, social media, AI), how do you decide who to trust?
- What are some practical ways to test whether a teaching is true or misleading?
- Why is it dangerous to only listen to voices that tell us what we want to hear?
- How can we become more grounded in truth rather than easily influenced?
- What does it mean for our church to be “truth seekers”?
- How does being part of a local church help protect and guide your faith?
- In what ways can we support one another in staying on the “righteous path”?
- What is one step you can take this week to more intentionally seek and hold onto truth?

## Closing Prayer