

# The Goal of Church Body Building: Christ-Likeness

*(Pastor John Brackbill/Ephesians 4:13/5.10.15)  
Bible Study Hour*

**Walk in a manner worthy of your calling in Christ in the context of His body the church (1-6)**

**As Christ brings about a mature unity in His body by the body (7-16)**

- A mature unity through the diversity of Christ's gifts to each person in His body (7-10)
  - All those who are in Christ have been given a spiritual gift (7)
  - As a consequence of Christ's victory (8-10)
    - A victory secured because of Christ's descent at the incarnation for the purpose of the cross (9)
    - A victory that results is Christ's Lordship over everything (10)
- A mature unity specifically through Christ's equipping gifts to His body (11-16)
  - The identification of those equipping gifts
    - Apostles
    - Prophets
    - Evangelists
    - Pastor-Teachers
  - The purpose of the equipping gifts
    - For the purpose of preparing all the saints
    - With the goal of preparing them for the work of service
    - With the final goal that the body of Christ would be built up through the service of all the saints

- The goal of the body being built up

- Attaining \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ unity as a body

- Unity in the truths of \_\_\_\_\_

- Unity in \_\_\_\_\_ knowledge of Jesus

- Attaining mature \_\_\_\_\_ as a body

- Attaining \_\_\_\_\_ as a body