The Grace Filled Life "What does Unity and Maturity in the Body of Christ Look Like?" Ephesians 4:1-16 June 1, 2025

Sermon Points:

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1. A Life Mission Statement.

- What are you working on these days?
 - Micro level: Daily responsibilities (work, family, health).
 - Eternal perspective: "In light of eternity, what are you working on?"
 - > Redirecting time, talents, and treasures for God's kingdom.

2. The Call to Live Worthy (Ephesians 4:1-6).

- Paul's Identity: A prisoner for (or in) the Lord (v. 1).
 - > Distinction: Jesus as Savior vs. Lord (submission to His authority).
- The Charge: Live a life worthy of God's calling (v. 1).
 - ➤ Traits: Humility, gentleness, patience, love (v. 2).
- Unity in the Spirit (v. 3):
 - "One body, one Spirit, one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God" (vv. 4-6).

3. The Goal: Unity for Maturity (Ephesians 4:11-13)

- Five-Fold Gifts (APEST):
 - > Apostles
 - > Prophets
 - ➢ Evangelists
 - > Shepherds
 - > Teachers

4. Practical Steps Toward Maturity.

- 1) Time: Intentional presence in community.
- 2) Talent: Using gifts to serve.
- 3) Treasure: Cheerful, sacrificial giving.

Personal Notes