

“Measuring Maturity”

Ephesians 4:13-14

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In Ephesians 4:1-16, Paul tells us how God is building the Church. He is building the Church through Christ, Who has imparted gifts to believers to do the work of ministry. That process builds the Church. As the Church grows, fruit becomes evident. In 4:13-16 Paul tells us what that true growth and fruit look like as the Church grows. Today we look at four manifestations of true, healthy spiritual growth in the Church.

1. A growing church has a unified belief about who Jesus is
“until we all attain to the unity of...the knowledge of the Son of God”
(4:13a)

A. Jesus is eternal (uncreated).

B. Jesus is to be worshipped.

C. Jesus is the Creator.

D. Jesus is the Judge.

E. Jesus is YHWH.

F. Jesus is infinite.

G. Jesus is sinless.

H. Jesus is equal to the Father and the Spirit.

I. Jesus is the only way to heaven.

J. Jesus is God.

2. A growing church has corporate maturity.
“until we all attain...to a mature man” (4:13b)

3. A growing church fully represents what Jesus is like.
“until we all attain...the fullness of Christ” (4:13c)

4. A growing church deals seriously with false teaching.
“we are no longer to be children...carried about by every wind of doctrine” (4:14)