

GIFTED MEN GIVEN TO EQUIP CHRIST'S CHURCH
(Ephesians 4:11-16) pt. 2

I. Our Wealth In Christ (chp1-3)

II. Our Walk In Christ (4:1-6:9)

A. We Are to Walk Worthy of Our Calling (4:1-6)

1. We are instructed to walk in _____ (4:3-6)
2. We each believer has been _____ to walk in _____ (4:7-10)

B. We Are to Walk Worthy Based on _____ (4:11-16)

1. These men were given by the ascended Christ to _____ His Church for _____ in His Body (4:12)
2. Christ gave _____ to His _____ (4:11)

1) The first __ were given to the universal church as a _____, while the _____ was given to _____ local congregations.

- Who are these gifted men?

a. Some were _____ =

- The word Apostle was used two ways in scripture:

- 1) In the _____ - referring to the _____
- 2) Other men who were not of the 12 + Paul, functioned as _____ and are sometimes called _____ in scripture

- What was the *function* of the apostles?

- It was to lay a _____ of _____ / _____ (Eph 2:20), for the church to follow & to establish the _____ as to what God was doing in the world today (Eph 3:5)
- The apostles were given _____ as their _____ in the early the church!
- The Apostles were the most _____ of God's gifted men to His church as set forth in 1 Corinthians 12:28-ff
- The office and function of apostles & prophets _____ with the _____ of these men!

b. Some were _____ =

- The word "*prophet*" could be understood two ways:

- 1) Those who _____ the WOG by their _____, as led by the H.S.

2) Prophets were also those who had the God given ability to _____ or give _____ revelation to the church (Eph 2:20, 3:5, Acts 11:27-28; 21:10-11)

c. Some were _____ =

d. Some _____ =

- There are 3 Greek words used in scripture to describe this man!

poimen =

episkopo =

presbuteros =

1 Peter 5:1-4 ; Acts 20:17, 28

3. These men were given by the ascended Christ to _____ His Church for _____ in His Body (4:12)

“equipping” (katartismos) =

a. On the one hand, equipping is a _____ process. This process involves _____ & _____ in order to be prepared for active duty for the King of Kings!

b. On the other hand, it involves a _____ process. It is a process involving _____, _____, & _____ for service!

Matthew 4:21 – to _____

Romans 9:22 – to _____

Luke 6:40 – to _____

Galatians 6:1 - to _____

- What is the “*too*” that a teaching pastor is to use to prepare & repair the saints for service?

* What does all this mean to you here today?