

# SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

IN CHRIST // 4 SPIRITUAL GROWTH INDICATORS

EPHESIANS 4:1-6

*AS WE GROW IN CHRIST INDIVIDUALLY, WE WILL GROW IN UNITY COLLECTIVELY.*

SERMON OUTLINE

## 4 SPIRITUAL GROWTH INDICATORS

- 1) HUMILITY // "I NEED HELP."
- 2) GENTLENESS // "GOD IS STRONGER."
- 3) PATIENCE // "GOD IS WORKING HERE."
- 4) FORBEARING LOVE // "YOU ARE LOVED."

## 1. REVIEW

1) READ VERSE 1. WHAT DOES PAUL MEAN WHEN HE URGES US TO "WALK IN A MANNER WORTHY OF OUR CALLING?"

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2) IN VERSE 2, PAUL BEGINS TO EXPLAIN WHAT OUR LIVES LOOK LIKE IF WE ARE WALKING IN A MANNER WORTHY OF OUR CALL, ESSENTIALLY REVEALING TO US 4 INDICATORS THAT SHOW US WHETHER OR NOT WE ARE GROWING (HUMILITY, GENTLENESS PATIENCES, & FORBEARING LOVE). WHY IS IT IMPORTANT FOR US TO KEEP IN MIND PAULS PRAYER IN EPHESIANS 3:16 AS IT RELATES TO THESE SPIRITUAL GROWTH INDICATORS?

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3) WHAT DO WE NEED TO BELIEVE IF WE ARE GONIG TO GROW IN...  
HUMILITY // " \_\_\_\_\_."      GENTLENESS // " \_\_\_\_\_."  
PATIENCE // " \_\_\_\_\_."      FORBEARING LOVE // " \_\_\_\_\_."

4) READ VERSES 3-6. WHAT HAPPENS TO US AS A CHURCH WHEN WE INDIVIDUALLY GROW IN OUR CALLING AS GOD'S CHILDREN?

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## 2. ASSESS

1) WHICH OF THE 4 SPIRITUAL GROWTH INDICATORS WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPECIFICALLY SEE GROWTH IN?

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## 3. APPLY

1) SPEND TIME AS A GROUP PRAYING OUT LOUD THE SCRIPTURE FOUND IN EPHESIANS 3:16-19 AND ASKING THE LORD TO HELP STRENGTHEN EACH OF YOU IN YOUR DESIRED GROWTH AREAS.

*16 that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.*