**Maintain the Unity of the Spirit**

**The Word**

Read together Ephesians 4:1-16

**The Big Idea**

Our unity together is a gift of the Holy Spirit, but it is also something we have to fight to maintain. True unity comes only as we actively pursue maturity in Christ together.

**Questions for Discussion**

1. What was the most helpful or impactful idea from Sunday’s sermon?

2. In verses 11-16, Paul casts a vision for a community of believers who are growing up into spiritual maturity in Christ together. To what extent should we carry a responsibility for other believers’ spiritual growth?

3. What are some ways you’ve seen unity pursued that may have compromised true spiritual maturity?

4. Paul calls us to “make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.” Similarly, in Romans 12:18 he says, “as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.” Are there any relationships or contexts in which you feel compelled to fight for unity and peace at this time?

**Neighboring Question**

This month’s neighboring challenge is to engage in some prayer walks around our neighborhood. How does that idea strike you, and what specifically would you like to commit to doing this month in that regard?