

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

The Pathway: Equip

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DISCUSSION:

Read Colossians 1:28

1. What is at the core of the Christian message and life? How is this different from a philosophy of life or other worldviews?
2. What are some means by which people are equipped in Christ? See Ephesians 4:11-12a, Hebrews 13:20-21, 2 Timothy 3:16, Proverbs 27:17, Colossians 3:16, and 2 Timothy 2:2.
3. According to Ephesians 4:12-16, what is the purpose of "equipping the saints" and what is the result?
4. Describe an area of your life where you have matured in Christ-likeness. Do we ever reach full maturity?
5. What role do we play in maturing as a Christian?
6. What level of maturity is required to warn and teach others with all wisdom? To help present others mature in Christ?
7. Why is it important to measure maturity in Christ by the Scriptures, rather than by comparing ourselves with others?

APPLICATION:

1. Thursday's devotionals focused on the progression of Christian maturity as depicted in the infant (characterized by ignorance), child (self-centeredness), young adult (God- and other-centeredness), parent (intentionality, reproduction) model. Where would you place yourself or someone you're discipling? What do you need to do to get yourself or another to the next level?
2. What is a class you can take, a group you can join, or a ministry you can help lead in order to mature yourself or others?

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GOAL #1 - Every disciple **mature** in Christ!

Col 1:7, 15-16, 24-29; 4:12-13

Q. Who is my Epaphras?

GOAL #2 - Every church **equipped** for Christ!

Eph 4:11-16

Q. Am I walking worthy of my calling?

GOAL #3 - Every disciple **equipped** for every work!

II Tim 3:10-17; Acts 13-14

Q. How am I getting equipped?