

Why Do I Need The Church?

- *We Support One Another* -

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

Therefore I, the prisoner in the Lord, urge you to walk worthy of the calling you have received, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope at your calling— ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷Now grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

¹¹ And he himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, to build up the body of Christ, ¹³until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of God's Son, growing into maturity with a stature measured by Christ's fullness. ¹⁴Then we will no longer be little children, tossed by the waves and blown around by every wind of teaching, by human cunning with cleverness in the techniques of deceit. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, let us grow in every way into him who is the head—Christ. ¹⁶From him the whole body, fitted and knit together by every supporting ligament, promotes the growth of the body for building itself up in love by the proper working of each individual part.

**God gives the church spiritual _____
to accomplish His _____.**

- 1. My calling is to use my God-given spiritual gifts for the _____ of the church.**
- 2. Some people are gifted to _____ the church for ministry.**
- 3. All spiritual gifts are used to help believers _____ in Christ, in unity, and in love.**

Will you partner with the church by leveraging your gifts for the kingdom?