



# Heaven on Earth

Class #13

## Ephesians 4:11-13

Q: What does a mature Church look like?

Q: Can Christians from different churches and denominations be unified?

### Eph. 4:11-16

*“And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,” (ESV)*

Q: What is the point of all these gifts to the Church?

Q: What is the work of ministry the Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Shepherds and teachers are equipping and getting you in shape to do? (John 20:21; John 8:12; Matt. 5:14-16).

Q: What does “unity of the faith mean”? (vs. 13)

Q: What is the “Measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ”? (vs. 13) Paul uses this phrase “fullness of Christ” pretty often (Eph. 1:23, 3:19). What’s he getting at?

## What About You?

Q: How are you doing with the fitness program (equipping) Jesus has for you?

Q: How are you taking the fullness of Christ out to the wider world?

Q: How does the meaning of faith (*pistis*) in this passage open the door for unity with other believers?