

THE LIFE CHALLENGE

CONNECT

Do you know much about your family history? Share about influences from past generations which shape who you are today!

IDENTITY

How is the body of Christ (the church) the primary vessel of Jesus ministry. What did Jesus pass on to His church to complete? Read Eph 1:18-23 & 3:10-11 & 3:20-21 and ask what is our main purpose as a church?

THE EXAMEN

Jesus gifts to the church (v. 11) are three things: individual gifts, they are His DNA and they give us a framework to know what we as a church should be doing. How does this explanation move us from individuals to the body of Christ? What difference does it make? Why is the whole of these gifts greater than the sum of its parts? In other words there is a mystery to Jesus's mission. Does this make sense or do you struggle with it?

PRACTICE

What's your role in becoming.. "mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ." v 13. How is this more than just knowledge? What is God showing you to grow into more? Where has western individualism given you an incomplete picture of Jesus' gospel?

PRAY TOGETHER

This is not a gospel of work or doing more. It's a gospel of doing less so Jesus has more room to bring things together in his church. Bring struggles or things you are wrestling with together in prayer and pray for each other.