

# STRONGER TOGETHER

Ephesians 4:11-16  
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## INTRODUCTION:

What now after the letters to the churches?

### A. THE STRUCTURE OF DISCIPLESHIP

1. The **roles** of leaders (v. 11)
2. The **responsibility** of leaders (v. 12)

### B. THE SUBSTANCE OF DISCIPLESHIP

1. The foundation of our **faith** in Christ (v. 13a)
2. The depth of our **knowledge** in Christ (v. 13a)

### C. THE STANDARD OF DISCIPLESHIP

1. Reaching the full **stature** (v. 13b)
2. Reaching the full **standard** (v. 13b)

### D. THE STRENGTH OF DISCIPLESHIP

1. We will be **firm** against a shifting culture (v. 14)
2. We be **growing** in Christlikeness (v. 15)
3. We will be **healthy**, thriving church (v. 16)

## CONCLUSION:

How do you measure up to the full stature and standard of Christlikeness?

## LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

### ICEBREAKER

If you had to describe your **spiritual growth** in one word, what would it be and why?

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### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

#### I. The Structure of Discipleship (Ephesians 4:11-12)

1. According to verse 11, what different roles has Christ given to equip the church?
  2. Why do you think *equipping* is more important than just *leading*?
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#### II. The Substance of Discipleship (Ephesians 4:13)

4. What does it mean to reach “unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God”?
  5. How can our Life Group be a community that reflects the depth of discipleship?
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#### III. The Standard of Discipleship (Ephesians 4:13b)

7. What is the “fullness of Christ”, and how does it serve as our standard?
  8. What are common worldly standards that compete with Christ’s standard in our lives?
  9. How can we ensure that we are measuring our growth by Christ’s standard, not just human success?
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#### IV. The Strength of Discipleship (Ephesians 4:14-16)

10. What dangers come from being *spiritually immature* and easily swayed by false teachings (v. 14)?
  11. Verse 16 describes the church as a body working together. What role do you believe God has given you in His church?
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### REFLECTION & PRAYER

- Which area of discipleship—structure, substance, standard, or strength—do you feel most challenged in?
- Pray together for unity, growth, and maturity in your life group and church. Ask God to help each person find their place in building up the body of Christ.