

Oxford Baptist Church – July 28, 2019 – Pastor Robin W. Pifer
Ephesian Series: “Transformed for Christ’s Glory”
Message 19 Ephesians 4:7-16 – Grace Gifts

Grace is Give to us through Jesus Christ and Gifted Servants are given to grow and mature the Body of Jesus Christ.

1. Grace is Given to Us Through Jesus Christ. (v.7-10)

- Salvation, Ascended, Descended, Captives of Jesus Christ.
- 2Peter 1:3-4; Phil 2:9-11

2. Gifted Servants are Given to us by Jesus Christ. (v. 11-13)

- Servant Leadership Gifts – Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors, and Teachers.
- Office of Apostle and Prophet closed – 1) Lay the Foundation for the church (Eph. 2:20); Receive and Declare the revelation of God’s Word (Eph. 3:5) Give Confirmation through “signs, wonders and miracles” (2Cor 12:12)
- Spiritual Gifts – 1Cor 12; Romans 12; Eph. 4; 1 Peter 4
- **Purpose: To Prepare God’s People for Works of Service.**
- Equip and Train, Build up the Body, Unity in the Church, Grow in the knowledge and fullness of Jesus Christ.

3. Growth and Maturity will Result in the Body of Jesus Christ. (v. 14-16)

- Be Solid in the Truth. (Word)
- Be Discerning.

- Speak the Truth as a mature body.
- Build up in Love.
- Maturity and Growth happen as each part of the body does its work. Romans 12

Everyone who has been transformed by the Grace of Jesus Christ is enabled by the Holy Spirit to minister and build up the body of Jesus Christ. How are you going to serve this next year at Oxford or in the community?