



“How the Body of Christ Grows Up”

In Eph 4:15-16, there are 2 features of Christ’s growth plan for the church in which all Christians must participate in order to grow:

(2 Tim 3:7; James 1:22)

I. What Christ prescribes for growth–v.15

(Eph 4:32; Ps 15:2, 86:11-12; 2 John 3-4; 1 John 3:18)

II. How Christ accomplishes the growth–v.16

1. By being the source

2. By designating the means

i. Through the support of every leader

ii. Through the functioning of the entire body

3. By specifying the outcome

(Eph 2:19-22; John 13:34-35; Eph 4:32-5:2; Rom 12:9-13)

(Is 49:6; Eph 4:18; Luke 24:46-47; Acts 17:30-31, 20:22-24)