

SERMON 4: Ephesians 4

Memory Verse: ""So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up

Ephesians 4:1-16. Therefore... God's Church!

Ephesians 4:1-6. United in a shared

God's family, the Church

and risk-takers.

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Ephesians 4:7-16. United in a shared Made to DO More: The fulness of Christ built up and lived out.
Sermon Question: "How does my being a masterpiece with a masterpiece mission, find expression in Jesus body the church?"
Remember: Every person is a master-piece, made by a master craftsman for a unique purpose. (see Eph. 2:10, week 2)
Key Passage: Ephesians 4:11-16.
The church is and catalyzed by the gifts God gives it.
The Church will do MORE: lesus: "Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the father." John 14:12 (NIV)
Apostles, Pastors, Evangelists, Shepherds and Teachers APEST): The gifts Jesus gave to the church
NB. We will be looking at these, not for, but they serve for the church. non-competitive, cooperating, mutually empowering functions that aid her in fulfilling God's design)
Apostles:
Church: primarily focused on Christianity into new territory. Society: these areentreprepeurs

Prophets:
Church: Primarily focused on and in the church community. Society: People who have a keen interest in and a world.
Evangelists
Church: People who reach-out and able to people toward the gospel Society: gifted people are the to the cause, enthusiasts.
Shepherds (pastors):
Church: They are driven to and for God's people. Society: Hearts are on Affirm what is human in others
Teachers:
Church: Help us God's truth and apply it to our lives. Society: Instructors who inspire
Note: While your gift may have started showing you salvation, it can only be through the redeeming work of Christ.
This teaching is addressed to God's people, not just the
"All of us are called to full-time ministry, we're just paid from different places." Léonce Crump.
 We need to be So that we can up the Body Until we all reach to the whole measure of the fulness of Christ!
Shift your thinking: We talk about God giving us gifts but in this passage, are the gifts God has given to the
 Every single person has something of to offer the church, because we have been given as an offering of worth the church.
BUT we will never truly become the fullness that God desires for us to be unless every one of us is activated and as God wants us to (see Ephesians 4:16).
Karura's Ministry Philosophy: EVERY MEMBER A, EVERY MEMBER!

Take action! This week:

- 1. Investigate which gifts you are to the church.
- Take the APEST test, and begin to be activated as that gift. (You can get a free version at https:// designdiscovery.com/fivefold-spiritual-gifts-test/)

