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A Celebration Church Series

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“Maturity in Christ: to Maintain and Attain”

Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-7, 13

Ice Breaker: Have you ever had a time when a recommendation - restaurant or place - went poorly?

Message Notes:

1. Maintain the Gospel - purity of the Gospel of Christ

- A foundation holds the home up
 - What Christ has done unifies all Christians
 - Without the Gospel we are merely a social club
 - Because of the Gospel we won't fail
- A foundation resists movement
 - With filters of truth in the Gospel there are no 'buts and probablys'
 - Thoughts get watered by culture and become our truth without a foundation of the Gospel

2. Attain to the fullness of Christ

- **Maturity:** Faith narrows behavior, Colossians 3 - study Him and know Him so we become like Him, Create times of prayer, Everyone benefits from a mature self
- **Giftng:** God can use anyone; He graced you not as a talent but a gift; Operate in your gifting, be confident that God has graced you.

Questions:

1. Have you ever felt misrepresented? Or had your child if you have one “oh shoot” you?
2. Do you feel like you represent Christ well in your daily life? Would people say that you are Christian in your behavior?
3. Do you feel like you're walking in God's gifting?

Prayer:

Father God, we thank you for your Gospel for your word that is truth. We thank you that that it our foundation. We pray that you give us the Grace and gifting to live fully in the walk you have before us. Let us remember to be in prayer and listen for your voice in the stillness. We thank you for this time together and we lift up the needs of our group. We pray all these things in your son's holy name. AMEN.

What's Coming Up:

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