

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Ephesians 4:15

Speaking the Truth in Love

Getting Started

Give an example of speaking the truth in love.

Digging In

1. Match the **references** on the left with the corresponding **statements** on the right.

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| a. James 4:11 | _____ <i>submit to one another</i> |
| b. James 5:9 | _____ <i>encourage one another</i> |
| c. Colossians 3:13 | _____ <i>don't grumble against one another</i> |
| d. Ephesians 5:21 | _____ <i>stop passing judgment on 1 another</i> |
| e. Colossians 3:16 | _____ <i>love one another</i> |
| f. 1 Thess 5:11 | _____ <i>teach and admonish one another</i> |
| g. Romans 12:16 | _____ <i>confess sins; pray for each other</i> |
| h. John 13:34-35 | _____ <i>bear with each other and forgive</i> |
| i. Romans 14:13 | _____ <i>live in harmony with one another</i> |
| j. James 5:16 | _____ <i>do not slander one another</i> |



2. How can practicing these *one anothers* build up the body of Christ?
3. How can they help us avoid sin and pursue holiness?
4. **Read Eph 4:15.** Put this verse into your own words.
5. How can *speaking the truth in love* help our church mature and become more like Christ?

Getting Personal

- Do you find it easier to speak the truth, or to do so in love? Why?
- Look again at the list of *one anothers* above. In which areas do you think you most need to grow?
- Choose 1 of the *one anothers* and make it a matter of prayer this coming week. Look for opportunities – by God's grace – to apply it.