Walk in a Manner Worthy

Pat Hobin Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study - July 12, 2016 Park Cities Presbyterian Church

Ephesians 4: 11-16

11 And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, 14 so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. 15 Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

Table Discussion Questions:

- 1. What is the purpose(s) Paul gives for "speaking the truth in love"? Why is that so important?
- 2. What are the dangers of being out of balance with truth? With love?
- 3. What makes "speaking the truth in love" so difficult?
- 4. What is the connection that Paul makes between "equip the saints for the work of ministry" and "speaking the truth in love?
- 5. With a proper understanding of that, how could it impact the discussion
 - a. Around your table?
 - b. With your friends and family members?
 - c. In your marriage, if married?