

## Truth Detectors # 1: Why You Need to Know the Truth

Ephesians 4:11-16

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**Key Truth: You are the “\_\_\_\_\_ Detectors”! (John 8:32)**

Theology Word for Today – \_\_\_\_\_

**Sanctification** is the continuing work of God in the life of a believer, growing the believer toward holiness.

**Foundational Truth # 1: God has \_\_\_\_\_ us all for service in the church. (Vs. 11)**

**Foundational Truth # 2: God has called out and gifted a \_\_\_\_\_ to prepare you for that service. (Vs. 11-12)**

**Foundational Truth # 3: It takes \_\_\_\_\_, maturity, and growth in Christ to complete the \_\_\_\_\_ of the church. (Vs. 13)**

**Foundational Truth # 4: Without this maturity and growth, we are in danger of being \_\_\_\_\_ and becoming trapped by false doctrines and lies. (v. 14)**

**Foundational Truth # 5: Christian living is all about \_\_\_\_\_, love, growing in Christ (Vs. 15)**

- Truth – Not in just what you say, but in \_\_\_\_\_ you are.
- Love – We do not judge and scream, we \_\_\_\_\_ in love.
- Growing in Christ – In all things, we must desire to become more like \_\_\_\_\_... in behavior, in character, and in our will.

**Foundational Truth # 6: When you do your part, the \_\_\_\_\_ church grows in Christ Jesus! (Vs. 16)**

### **LIFE Applications**

1. Decide that you are ready to grow.
2. Seek God's Will for that which you are growing toward ... a place of ministry.
3. Listen to your teachers.
4. Don't believe everything you read or hear!
5. When in doubt about something, seek a mature believer for help.
6. Always speak the truth in love.
7. Get ready to learn and be disciplined!