

# God's Vision for Church Life (Part One)

*Ephesians 4:1-6 – Pastor Nick Thompson*

**I. That our life together be preceded by gospel grace (v. 1).**

**II. That our life together be pervaded with gospel humility (v. 2).**

**III. That our life together be promoting gospel unity (vv. 3-6).**

## **QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP**

1. Who gets to define the church? Why?
2. Why does Paul say “therefore” in v. 1? How do the commands he is about to give in chs. 4-6 relate to God’s grace he has told us about in chs. 1-3?
3. What does it mean for a Christian to walk worthy of his/her calling?
4. What are some practical ways we can bear with others in love at our church?
5. What is unity? Why is it so important that we promote and guard unity in the church?

## **QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION**

1. Have I been called effectually through the gospel?
2. Does my walk (i.e., my lifestyle) accord with such a calling? Is it marked by the humble fruits of gentleness, patience, love, and peace?
3. Do I prize the unity of the church as much as God does? What does it look like for me to earnestly strive after it in my local church and relationships with fellow believers?