

# SERMON REFLECTIONS

## Equipping God's People, Building Up the Body of Christ

Ephesians 4:11-16 | 15 October 2023 | Rev Dr Aaron Tay

### Reflection Questions

1. This is Bedok Methodist Church's vision and goal:  
We are Christ's disciples called to make disciples who are connected, equipped, mentored and released to fulfil God's good purposes.

How do you think you have Connected (as an individual and a DG)

- Connect with Christ
- Connect with Church
- Connect with Cause (of Christ)?

How have you been Equipped (as an individual and a DG) – when was the last time you attended an Equipping training (in spiritual matters)?

2. From Ephesians 4:11-16, list down all the reasons and purposes for Christ Himself giving the apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers?

(eg, the first 2 reasons are in verse 12: to equip His people for works of service, SO THAT the Body of Christ may be Built Up ...)

Discuss about the importance of all these reasons and purposes.

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3. In church, amongst the 5 offices, we are more familiar with the office of the Pastor.

- What do you think is the Current Work of the Pastor in our church?
- Do you think the modern church has made the Pastor do ONLY the work of shepherding, and the Pastor (has not done)/(done a lot less) the work of Equipping others in the areas of Shepherding. The areas of Shepherding include: Feeding, Leading, Caring, Guiding, Protecting and Rescuing (from sin and evil).
- What areas of shepherding have you been equipped in/do you want to be equipped in? Why?

4. In what ways can we be equipped by the

- Apostle
- Prophet
- Evangelist
- Pastor
- Teacher

that is important to our own spiritual life, the life of the DG, and the life of our church?

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