

Maturity (2)
Ephesians 4:14-16

The _____ of the Spirit is the atmosphere in which
the _____ of the gifts are exercised toward
the _____ of the body of Christ (4:1-16).

| Immaturity | Maturity | |
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| Vulnerability "every wind" (14) | Symmetry "every way" (15) | Synergy "every connection" (16) |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • _____ • uncertainty • _____ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • truth • _____ • _____ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cooperation • _____ • _____ |

"Rather being truthful in love, we might grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ."

- truthful –
- in love –

* Truth becomes _____ without love.
Love becomes _____ without truth.

How might we react to these winds/waves if we merely focus on truth or love?

3 Possible Stories

1. the _____ –
 - truth alone –
 - love alone –
 - truthing it in love –

2. the _____ –
 - truth alone –
 - love alone –
 - truthing it in love –

3. the _____ -

truth alone -

love alone -

truthing it in love -

“Thus they who are unhappily employed in poisoning souls, generally make use of some important and salutary truth, as a vehicle by which they convey their malignant drug into the minds of the unwary.... Whoever is thus prevailed upon, in the great and essential points of scriptural doctrine, to separate, in his judgment and experience, those things which God has joined together, [truth and love] is already infected with a disease in its own nature mortal, and his religion, unless the Lord mercifully interposes, will degenerate into either licentiousness or formality.”

John Newton