Relationship to the Head

Eph 1:22-23

What does it mean that Jesus is "head over all things to the church"? What does it mean that the church is "the fullness of Him who fills all in all"? What actions or attitudes does this require from us as His body?

Eph 4:11-16 (cf. Col 2:18-19)

How has Jesus provided for the growth and edification of His body? What are the goals of this growth as described in this passage?

Eph 4:1-6

What is the basis for unity within the body of Christ? How do we preserve or maintain this unity?

Relationship with Each Other

Eph 4:25; Matt 25:34-40; Acts 9:3-5

How should an understanding of the church as the body of Christ affect the way we treat one another?

1 Cor 12:12-20

Though there are many different members in the body, what unifies us in Christ? (v. 13)

On the other hand, what makes us different? Why is this a good thing? How should God's design for the body affect the way we see ourselves?

1 Cor 12:21-26

How should God's design for the body affect the way we view one another? How should we view the members that may seem weaker or less presentable? How do we apply this on a practical level?

How should we respond to the suffering or rejoicing of our fellow members? How do we apply this on a practical level?

Eph 4:15-16

What is required from us if the body is to grow?