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Strength, Friends, and Armor for the Fight

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A person in medieval armor, including a helmet with a visor, gauntlets, and chainmail, is shown in a dark, moody setting. The person is holding a sword, and the armor is highly detailed with rivets and textures. The overall tone is dramatic and historical.

# Ephesians 4:7-16

**1. What's our win? (vv 13-14)**

**2. How do we get there?**

## Ephesians 4:7-16<sup>ESV</sup>

<sup>7</sup> But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup> Therefore it says, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men."  
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## **Ephesians 4:7-16<sup>ESV</sup>**

**it mean but that he had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? <sup>10</sup> He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup> And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the**

A person wearing medieval chainmail armor is shown from the chest up, holding a sword. The background is dark and textured, possibly a stone wall or a similar surface. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, bold, sans-serif font.

# **Ephesians 4:7-16<sup>ESV</sup>**

**evangelists, the shepherds and  
teachers,<sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the  
work of ministry, for building up the  
body of Christ,<sup>13</sup> until we all attain**

# Ephesians 4:7-16<sup>ESV</sup>

1. To the unity of the faith AND of the knowledge of the Son of God,
2. To mature manhood,
3. To the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,

## **Ephesians 4:7-16<sup>ESV</sup>**

**<sup>14</sup> so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.**



## **Ephesians 4:7-16<sup>ESV</sup>**

**<sup>15</sup> Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ,**

**<sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with**

A man wearing chainmail armor is shown in a dark, moody setting. He is looking down and to the right, with his hands clasped in front of him. The armor is detailed, showing the texture of the chainmail and the structure of the gauntlets. The background is dark and textured, possibly a wall or a large piece of fabric.

# Ephesians 4:7-16<sup>ESV</sup>

**which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.**

# Ephesians 4:13<sup>ESV</sup>

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# Ephesians 4:11<sup>ESV</sup>

**<sup>11</sup> And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry,**

## Philippians 2:4-11<sup>ESV</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. <sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality

## Philippians 2:4-11<sup>ESV</sup>

with God a thing to be grasped,<sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.<sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even

## Philippians 2:4-11<sup>ESV</sup>

death on a cross.<sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,<sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,



## Philippians 2:4-11ESV

**<sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that  
Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of  
God the Father.**



# Baseball Franchise



1. Owner
2. General Manager
3. Manager & Coaches
4. Players

# The Church

1. **Owner = Jesus (vv 8-9)**
2. **General Manager =  
The Apostles & Prophets (vv 11-12)**
3. **Manager & Coaches =  
Pastors-Teachers (vv 11-12)**
4. **Players = Church members  
(vv 15-16)**

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