NEW TESTAMENT WRITERS EPHESIANS

Pray: ask God to open your mind, soul and spirit to His teaching through His Word **Think:** the questions are designed to expand your knowledge of God and His Word **Begin:** using only your Bible, answer the questions* without other outside sources *questions are based on New International Version (NIV)

Lesson 4 –	Ephesians	4 :	 _	6
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	a)	Why do you think Paul highlights his imprisonment in Ephesians 4:1 to aid in urging readers to live according to Ephesians 4:1–3? Read again Ephesians 3:13, 6:19–20.
	b)	How does Paul urge the readers to live according to Ephesians 4:1–3?
	c)	What is "the calling" you have received? (Review your answer in Lesson 3, question 4a and also look up 2 Thessalonians 1:11–12 for help).
	d)	How are you living that is worthy of "this calling"? Write your response as a prayer to the Author and giver of this calling.
<u>)</u> .	a)	What do you think "unity of the Spirit" means in Ephesians 4:3?
	b)	Does Ephesians 4:4–6 indicate that believers in Jesus are to believe as one unit, in the one same belief, in the one same way, about the one same baptism and the one God and one Lord and one Spirit? Explain and include what this passage says and does not say.

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	c)	In what ways do you "make every effort to keep"	this unity.
3.		e-read Ephesians 4:7–13.Why does Ephesians 4:7 be hesians 4:11–13 to Ephesians 4:1–6?	gin with "But"? How does Ephesians 4:7 link
1.	a)	In Ephesians 4:8–11, who is "He"?	
	b)	What is the point of Ephesians 4:9–10 in describin	g what occurred before "He ascended"?
	c)	Why is this important especially prior to the discu	ssion in Ephesians 4:11?
5.	a)	Use a dictionary to define:	
		apostle p	astor
		prophet te	eacher
		evangelist	
	b)	See Romans 12:4–8, I Corinthians 12:4–11 and lis	t other spiritual gifts.
	c)	According to these verses(above) and Ephesians 4:13	2–13, what is the ultimate purpose of these gifts?
	d)	Prayerfully consider what your spiritual gifts are. If well, possesses insight and observes well. List your	

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	e)	Describe how you have and think you will use your gifts.
6.	a)	How is "mature" described in Ephesians 4:13, 15?
	b)	Refer to Ephesians 4:14 and describe a time when you felt like a spiritual infant.
	c)	How has the use of your gifts, as well as the sharing of other believers' gifts with you, matured you?
7.	Thi	lect on the phrase in Ephesians 4:15 "speaking the truth in love" without taking it from its context. nk about what we have studied thus far in Ephesians and pray about the specifics of why, what, w, when and to whom the Lord would have you speak this way. Use the space below to write wn next steps as a result of your prayer.