**We Value: Every Disciple Growing - Ephesians 4:11-16**

Mission: What are we doing?

"Sending transformed people to influence their world for Christ."

Strategy: How are we doing this?

"Meet with God...Connect with Others...Live with Purpose"

Why are we doing this? Because of our "core values".

**Core values are guiding principles that dictate behavior and action**.

The five Core Values of Shades:

1. Every Disciple Growing
2. Every Person On-Mission
3. Every Relationship Meaningful
4. Every Generation Together
5. Every Pursuit with Excellence

**Ephesians 4:11-16**

1. **Foundational Truths of Every Disciple Growing (vs 11-12)**

**A. Ministers equip members to minister to the body of Christ.**

**B. Members build up the body of Christ through utilizing their spiritual gifts.**

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**II. Goals of Every Disciple Growing (vs. 13)**

**A. Unity of the faith...unity of the church**

**B. Spiritual maturity individually and corporately**

**III. Results of Every Disciple Growing (vs. 14-16)**

**A. Doctrinal stability - know what you believe and why**

**B. Speaking truth in love**

*“Truth becomes hard if not softened by love; love becomes soft if it is not strengthened by truth. The apostle calls us to hold the two together.”*

*— John R. W. Stott*

**C. Becoming more like Christ**

**D. Strengthening and growing the church**