

STABILITY IN A TOSSED WORLD

Our world is being shaken. The Covid crisis, the splitting of our society with lies of unity through Critical Theory, and the effects of climate change. What is our hope in this time of turmoil?


Paul's letter to the Ephesians gives us an answer.

Ephesians 4:11-14 ¹¹And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, ¹⁴so 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. (ESV)

We are told that God has given us gifts to help us in times like these. We have people with the gifts of teaching the word and the message of Jesus (the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers).

We are given these gifts for a purpose. That purpose is to equip the church and to build up the church. Equipping the church means that God prepares us to do whatever we need to serve Him and to live as He commands. So, God prepares us and builds us up through the solid teaching of those whom God has gifted.





The result of being equipped is the unity of faith and knowledge of God. In other words, we are unified as a body in the true faith that we all have. A faith that we understand and have come to know through those whom God has used to teach us. We all have a solid knowledge of God because of those who God has empowered to teach us His word. This brings us to a maturity in our faith. A maturity that we find lacking these days.

Being equipped means that we don't get shaken by what is happening in our world. We are not tossed about by all sorts of crazy teachings. We no longer fall into the trap of believing everything on social media. We look to the word of God for answers and know that our Lord will take us through these times. There are also many who would deceive us and lead us into great confusion and emotional upheaval.

As believers we have the opportunity not to be shaken by our circumstances, but instead to have great stability in our Lord. Knowing God gives us peace and stability in our world.

In Him and for His glory,

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