"Through Our Unity and Maturity"

(1) Getting Started	(3) Questions?
 Review From Last Week Recite Matthew 28:18-20 or any other Scriptures you are working on memorizing. Getting to Know You Here's a light and easy one to start with: Do you think churches should talk about politics from the pulpit? Why or why not? 	 Diving Deeper Read 2 Tim 3:16-17 Read 2 Peter 1:19-21 As a church, we have made the commitment to preach primarily from Scripture on Sundays. How do these verses inform the rationale behind that? Do you believe what these verses say about the inspiration of Scripture? Or do you believe Scripture was written by man?
(2) Read Scripture	(4) Application
 Read Ephesians 4:1-6; 11-16 Discuss Pastor Dave said that "without true diversity, there can't be true unity, only uniformity". Do you agree? How should the types of people Jesus chose to be His twelve apostles challenge us to think about who we should be discipling in our church? Does the diversity we already have in our church excite you or make you nervous? Explain. 	 Reflect There are many Christians who think that pastors should address every 'culture war' topic that comes up. There are Christians who think that Democrats and Republicans can't worship together. If you disagree with our church's stance on these things, instead of finding a church that agrees with your position, will you consider staying and growing with those who differ from you so that true unity and maturity can develop in us? How do you think this might impact those who watch this happen from the outside? Memorize: 2 Tim 3:16-17