

**GOD IN YOUR MIDST,  
Part 5**

**GOD'S GIFTS HELP  
BUILD HIS CHURCH  
September 4, 2016**



KOSOVO  
On February 17, 2008,  
Kosovo declared its  
independence. Serbia  
still claims it  
as a province.



Earthquake  
epicentre



Fault line with  
direction of thrust



## **Matthew 7:24-25 NKJV**

**24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: 25 and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.**

***SO WHY DO WE “DO  
CHURCH?”***

# **GOD's PURPOSE IN** **BUILDING**

# Ephesians 4:8-16 (NKJV)

**<sup>8</sup> Therefore He says: “*When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men.*” <sup>9</sup> (Now this, “He ascended”—what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup> He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)**



# **Ephesians 4:8-16 (NKJV)**

**<sup>11</sup> And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,**

# **Ephesians 4:8-16 (NKJV)**

**<sup>13</sup> till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;**

# **Ephesians 4:8-16 (NKJV)**

**<sup>14</sup> that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting,**

# **Ephesians 4:8-16 (NKJV)**

**15 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ—**

# **Ephesians 4:8-16 (NKJV)**

**<sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.**

# **1. JESUS GAVE GIFTS**

**The Conquering War Hero**

## **2. HIS GIFTS ARE PEOPLE**

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**Ascension Gift Ministries  
Five-Fold Ministries**

**APOSTLE, PROPHET,  
EVANGELISTS, PASTORS AND  
TEACHERS.**



**3. TO EQUIP, FURNISH,**  
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**GK: katartismos**  
**complete furnishing: - perfecting**

# **4. FOR THE WORK OF** **MINISTRY**

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**GK: er'-gon to work; toil; by implication an act: - deed, doing, labour, work**

**GK: diakonia attendance (as a servant, etc.); figuratively (eleemosynary) aid, (official) service**

# **5. FOR THE EDIFYING OF** **THE BODY OF CHRIST**

***GK: oikodomē architecture, that is,  
(concretely) a structure; figuratively  
confirmation: - building, edify***

**TO MAKE US MATURE,  
LIKE JESUS**

**1. Unity of the Faith**

**2. Knowledge of the Son of God**

**3. To a perfect, mature man**

**4. To the measure of the**

**FULLNESS OF CHRIST**

**5. No longer children,  
tossed about by error, but  
strong**

**6. Speaking truth in love**

**7. Growing up in Christ**



**V. 16: <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love**

**EVERY JOINT SUPPLIES**

**EVERY PART DOES IT'S**

**SHARE**

**FOR THE BODY TO GROW**

***God's Gifts Help  
Build His Church***