When Care Becomes A Call

Next to them Jedaiah son of Harumaph made repairs opposite his house, and next to him Hattush son of Hashabneiah made repairs.

Nehemiah 3:10

11 And His gifts were [varied; He Himself appointed and gave men to us] some td be apostles (special messengers), some prophets (inspired preachers and expounders), some evangelists (preachers of the Gospel, traveling missionaries), some pastors (shepherds of His flock) and teachers.

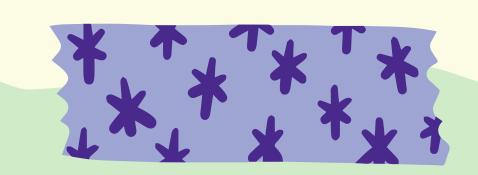
12 His intention was the perfecting and the full equipping of the saints (His consecrated people), [that they should do] the work of ministering toward building up Christ's body (the church),

13 [That it might develop] until we all attain oneness in the faith and in the comprehension of the [full and accurate] knowledge of the Son of God, that [we might arrive] at really mature manhood (the completeness of personality which isnothing less than the standard height of Christ's own perfection),

- 13 the measure of the stature of the fullness of the Christ and the completeness found in Him.
- 14 So then, we may no longer be children, tossed [like ships] to and fro between chance gusts of teaching and wavering with every changing wind of doctrine, [the prey of] the cunning and cleverness of unscrupulous men,

- 14 [gamblers engaged] in every shifting form of trickery in inventing errors to mislead.
- 15 Rather, let our lives lovingly express truth [in all things, speaking truly, dealing truly, living truly]. Enfolded in love, let us grow up in every way and in all things into Him Who is the Head, [even] Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

16 For because of Him the whole body (the church, in all its various parts), closely joined and firmly knit together by the joints and ligaments with which it is supplied, when each part [with power adapted to its need] is working properly [in all its functions], grows to full maturity, building itself up in love.



- 1. The Prominent/Priests (vs. 1-12,28-32)
- 2. The People (VS. 10, 20-21, 28-30)
- 3. The Partners (2,4,7-8,17)