



## Life Group Discussion Questions

Ephesians 4:11-13

What was one thing in the sermon that made you think differently about ...

### *What is Normal?*

How is our “normal” now different due to COVID-19? Do you think life will ever go back to the old way of “normal?”

What is something you have started during COVID-19 that you know you will continue once it is over?

Which of the 5 marks of “normal” do you identify with? Why?

Which of the 5 marks of “normal” do you struggle with? Why?

How can you live out Sunday’s message this coming week?

Not a part of a Life Group at North Hills? Visit the church website and check out the different groups currently meeting. When you see one that interests you, click on the link provided and know that everyone will be glad you came!  
<https://church.north-hills.org/connect/small-group-ministry>

“Let perseverance finish its work  
so that you may be mature and complete,  
not lacking anything.”

*God's Word, the Bible (James 1:4 NIV)*



MATURITY  
*transformed*

## NORTH HILLS CHURCH

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### *What is Normal?*

“And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists,  
the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the  
work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until  
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.”

*Ephesians 4:11-13*

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Week 40 of 2020-2021 Sermon Series: Transformed

## - MATURITY -

What is Normal? (Ephesians 4:11-13)

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*As a result of the extraordinary year of COVID-19, many Church leaders have tried to respond to, anticipate, and even create a "new normal" for the body of Christ. However, no "new" normal will be sufficient unless the biblical normal is identified, embraced, and preserved.*

1. A normal Christian church is \_\_\_\_\_.
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4. A normal Christian church is \_\_\_\_\_.
5. A normal Christian church is \_\_\_\_\_.

*When the Lord's church lives in the way that Scripture describes as normal, every member becomes equipped and active in ministry, building up the body of Christ, and attaining to spiritual maturity.*

### Read the entire Bible chronologically in a year

May 16: Psalm 3-4, 12-13, 28, 55  
May 17: 2 Samuel 16-18  
May 18: Psalm 26, 40, 58, 61-62, 64  
May 19: 2 Samuel 19-21  
May 20: Psalm 5, 38, 41-42  
May 21: 2 Samuel 22-23; Psalm 57  
May 22: Psalm 95, 97-99



- Week 1:** Because we are prone to conform, we must let God transform. (Romans 12:1-2)  
**Week 2:** Because of all Jesus has done, surrender what you think you know. (Mark 8:34-37)  
**Week 3:** If we really want to know what to do, abandon the world's ways for God's ways. (Isaiah 55:6-11)  
**Week 4:** Accept that the world's ways are at odds with the ways of God. (1 Corinthians 1:18-30)  
**Week 5:** If you want to be transformed, you must learn to deal with your sinful nature. (Romans 8:1-11)  
**Week 6:** Look past what is seen and believe what is unseen. (Hebrews 11:1-6)  
**Week 7:** Overcome the world with love and humility. (Romans 12:9-21)  
**Week 8:** Recognize that the purpose of our transformation is not personal or private. (Mark 10:42-45)  
**Week 9:** Individual transformation happens best in the midst of united community. (Hebrews 10:19-25)  
**Week 10:** Some may go and some may stay: but working together, God is transforming the world through the power of the gospel. (Philippians 4:10-20)  
**Week 11:** Transformed people do the work of God like it's second nature. (Matthew 25:31-46)  
**Week 12:** Transformed prayer leads to a transformed mind. (Philippians 4:4-9)  
**Week 13:** A transformed heart will change the way you talk to others. (Ephesians 4:29)  
**Week 14:** Transformed people unite in transformed community. (Ephesians 4:1-6)  
**Week 15:** Right attitude speaks louder than right action alone. (Philippians 2:14-18)  
**Week 16:** Transformed people are on the go. (Romans 10:8-17)  
**Week 17:** Recognize your need for a Savior. (Matthew 1:18-23)  
**Week 18:** Learn to see the spiritual battle for your soul that is going on in and around you. (1 John 3:1-10)  
**Week 19:** Don't miss the truth when it's right in front of you. (John 18:33-38)  
**Week 20:** Abundant life must have boundaries. (John 10:1-10)  
**Week 21:** The promise of everlasting life changes what we value in this present life. (Matthew 6:19-24)  
**Week 22:** Demonstrate God's love in our relationships to experience a healthy, life-changing community. (John 15:12-17)  
**Week 23:** Prayer intimately connects us to the one who has invited us to call Him Father. (Luke 11:1-13)  
**Week 24:** The practice of withdrawing, waiting on God, and being still helps us to better recognize and cherish God's presence in everyday life. (Luke 5:16; John 7:6; Psalm 46:10)  
**Week 25:** The best way to humbly serve is by following Christ's example. (Acts 2:44-45; Philippians 2:2-15; Mark 8:34)  
**Week 26:** Your walk with others should reflect your walk with Jesus. (Ephesians 5:6-21)  
**Week 27:** The church is modeled at home. (Ephesians 5:22-33)  
**Week 28:** Parents are to nourish their children spiritually. (Ephesians 6:1-4)  
**Week 29:** Work hard in all you do as though it were Jesus Himself ... because it is! (Ephesians 6:5-9)  
**Week 30:** On God's team, communication is key. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; Joshua 1:8)  
**Week 31:** Know when to be quiet and trust. (Psalm 46)  
**Week 32:** Learn to say no to what doesn't add value or bring glory to God in your life. (Acts 13:1-3; 1 Timothy 6:6)  
**Week 33:** Be considerate of your part in someone else's story. (John 3:16; 2 Corinthians 9:7; Acts 20:35; 1 Peter 4:9)  
**Week 34:** Because of Jesus we are freed from sin to have a new beginning. (Romans 6:1-14)  
**Week 35:** Only because of the cross can we break free from the past. (Philippians 3:13-21)  
**Week 36:** Because of the cross, you can break free from what others think to focus on what God thinks. (Matthew 10:26-33)  
**Week 37:** As a child of God, don't allow yourself to fall back when the path is forward. (Romans 8:12-17)  
**Week 38:** Flee from the ways of the world and pursue maturity. (1 Timothy 6:10-12)  
**Week 39:** Don't let the pain distract you from your purpose. (Romans 5:1-5)