

## Eph 4:14-16

### Intro

- v11-13 sets the context!

### 1. Avoid immaturity v14

Contrasts - adult v13 with children v14; Singular v13 with plural v14

Not blown by latest teachings that differ from scripture

either from the culture

or within the church

or within ourselves

Arising from the cunning and craftiness, deceptiveness of people (a whiff of Satan?)

Immaturity thrives where we are disconnected!

### 2. Speak truth in love v15-16

*Truth* = apostolic truth as revealed, the gospel in widest sense

But truth is not divorced from behavior (cf v17-20)

So, truth applied to life, situation, behavior -

*In love* - (4v2, 4v16, 5v2)

Relational shaped by humility, gentleness, patience, bearing with

*Truth in love* –

truth directly applied to wrong teaching  
or truth not being lived reflected in behavior -  
spoken about in the context of relationship

Each of called to this -

v16 - each has a part to play as those connected together

Driven by love!