



4. How do we grieve the Holy Spirit [cf. Acts 2:3-4; 1 Thessalonians 5:19], and what does this reveal about the Spirit's identity [Ephesians 4:30]?

5. What does this list of misbehaviours indicate about Christians [Ephesians 4:31]? How do we specifically put these things away [cf. Colossians 3:5-11]?

6. What should characterize our church relationships [Ephesians 4:32]? Where do we need to grow as church family? What might result if our community acted like this?

7. What did you find helpful or challenging about this Sunday's message?

*"Nothing can be more cruel than the leniency which abandons others to their sin. Nothing can be more compassionate than the severe reprimand which calls another Christian in one's community back from the path of sin."  
(Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together: The Classic Exploration of Christian Community)*

## Pastor Max Oates Sermon Notes

Introduction

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# Community LIVING ~ PART 2

Ephesians 4:25-32

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## QUESTIONS

**Ice Breaker:** What is your earliest childhood memory?

1. Why does falsehood disrupt community? What are believers to substitute for falsehood [Ephesians 4:25], and what would this look like within our faith community?
2. How is it possible to be angry and not sin [Ephesians 4:26]? How do you reconcile this with Jesus' actions when He cleared the temple courts [cf. John 2:13-17]? Why is this a critical lesson to learn [4:27]?
3. What do you learn from Ephesians 4:28-29 about overcoming evil behaviours and speech? How would you use this principle to counsel someone struggling with any sin?