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- II. Read <u>Ephesians 4:7-10</u>. Explain what Paul means by Christ's descending and ascending. According to <u>Ephesians 1:20-23</u>, how high has Jesus Christ ascended? What does it mean for you and I to bow and confess Jesus as Lord? (<u>Philippians 2:9-11</u>). Can someone believe in Christ as Savior but not serve him as Lord? Explain your thoughts.
- III. Finally, read <u>Ephesians 4:11-16</u>. Name the 5 leaders mentioned in verse 11. What do each of them do for the church? According to verse 12, what is their ultimate function? What does preparing Christians for works of service look like? What kind of service? What kind of preparation is necessary? How well are we doing this as a church? (Remember our motto -- every member a minister).

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