

## Edification (Part 2) Ephesians 4:11-16

*Oikodome* "denotes the act of building," and "is used only figuratively in the N.T., in the sense of edification, the promotion of spiritual growth." (W.E.Vine)

## Some Things That **Hinder** Spiritual Growth ...

- ▶ **Love of money.** 1 Timothy. 6:10; Luke. 12:15
- ▶ **Neglect / Indifference.** Hebrews 2:3; Ephesians 5:14; Matthew 6:33; Luke. 14:15ff
- ▶ **Youthful lusts.** 2 Timothy. 2:22-23; Genesis 39:9-12; James 1:14-15
- ▶ **Dull of hearing.** Jeremiah 13:9-10; Hebrews 5:11ff; John 12:37-40; cf. Matthew 22:5; Malachi 2:2
- ▶ **Negative attitudes.** 1 Peter 2:1-2; cf. 1:23