

OUR UNITY EPHESIANS

Sermon Discussion Curriculum – Our Unity – Ephesians 3:14-3:21 – October 2, 2022

Additional Resources:

Gospel Identity – Brody Jespersen - <https://bit.ly/3Rm1wdV>
Ephesians for You – Richard Coekin - <https://amzn.to/3AB4699>
The Book of Ephesians – J.D. Greear - <https://bit.ly/3PYTc2x>

The goal of this time is to have quality connections and time together. Allow God to speak to you through His written Word. Choose questions from Know, Grow, and Show that will best help your group discuss the passage and take their next steps of faith. Don't feel like you need to use all the questions. We are praying for you as you lead your D-Group this week!

KNOW:

- Who tucked you in at night and heard your prayers? How did that experience shape how you pray today?
- Describe a time when God answered your prayer? How did that experience shape the next time you faced a challenge in life?
- How freely and confidently do you approach God? Why?
- Think of a friend who comes from a different background than you. What united you together? What still unites you as friends?
- When do you pray the most? Why do you tend to pray more during these particular times?



GROW:

- What does Paul want us to understand is essential to becoming mature in the faith?
- What do you observe about the structure of Paul's prayer? What repeated themes stand out in these requests?
- Read verses 17-19. What is Paul's praying the church be rooted and ground in?
- Read verses 20-21. Why should we pray with great expectations? What keeps you from praying with great expectations?
- According to verse 21, why should we pray for God to do incredible things?
- How does our understanding of God impact how we approach Him in prayer?
- What does this passage teach us about the resources of God?
- Do you hesitate to pray for spiritual strength? Why?
- What is an area of your life where you need spiritual strengthening? How might you pray for this now after studying these verses?



SHOW:

- Imagine that Paul's prayer was answered in your life. What might that look like?
- Describe a time when you were overwhelmed by an experience of the love of Christ. What keeps you from living out of a daily experience of the love of Christ?
- What keeps you from feeling desperation in your prayer life?
- How has this prayer challenged the way you think about praying for others? How does it invite you to pray differently?
- How is this prayer verses 14-21 evidence of the freedom and confidence with which we can approach God?
- Pray for each other. Let the truth of this passage inform your prayers and how you approach the Lord.