

Sunnyside Church Study Questions

Series: Made for More

Sermon: Pray for God's power for ... | **Date:** 2.8.26

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Scripture, Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

IVP Bible Commentary:

“3:18-19 Many take ‘breadth (width) and length and height and depth’ to describe how all creation is filled with God’s glory or as a description of the immeasurable vastness of His love.” (pg. 546)

Questions:

#1. For review, can you recall the 4 key identity statements for us in Christ for Eph. 1:1-14?

Hint: Chosen – Adopted – Redeemed - & Marked

Why are these significant for us to remember?

#2. In the verses above Paul breaks into his 2nd prayer within this letter to the church at Ephesus. It comes right in the middle of the book chapters 1-3 Theology & 4-6 Practical Living. Do you think this is significant, in light of the prayer? Why or why not?

*Paul prays for us to have God's power so: (1) Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith & (2) we can know (experience) the love of Christ.

#3. The word dwell literally means **to be at home**, so in other words that Christ can be at home in our hearts. If your life was a home, a place for Christ to live, does He have access to all of the rooms of your house (life)? Why or why not?

#4. In regard to the second part of the prayer, are you experiencing (knowing) the love of Christ on a consistent basis? If so, please share a recent experience. If not, how can you create space in your life on a consistent basis for this?

#5. Please make space to pray for each other especially in light of this passage of Scripture and questions.