



More of God's Power

Discussion Guide

January 14, 2018

Ephesians 3:14-21

Questions for Study

**** Before you begin discussing these questions, read through Ephesians 3:14-21 as a group.**

1. Describe a time when someone you know exceeded your expectations – for e.g., maybe they demonstrated a skill you didn't know they had, or came through for you in a big way, etc.
2. Has there ever been a time in your life when God worked in some way to exceed your expectations? Explain.
3. In your own life, do you think your expectations of what God can do in you and through you are too big, or too small? Why?
4. Look closely at Ephesians 3:14-21, and point out all the words that indicate "power," "strength," or "ability." Spend a few minutes on each – what exactly does the Apostle Paul say about these things? The following questions can help you dig a little deeper:
 - What do you learn from this passage about the SOURCE of power Paul is talking about?
 - What do you learn about the PURPOSE of this power in Ephesians 3?
 - Choose one of these insights you've gleaned about God's power in Ephesians 3: What implications can this truth have on your life this week?
5. How can you work toward cultivating a view of God that is big enough to reflect what we learn about God and His power in this passage?
6. As we read about God's great power in Ephesians 3, are there imbalances or misunderstandings that can accompany this topic? How do we live fully in line with the truth of Ephesians 3:14-21, without slipping into some of these imbalances or misunderstandings?
7. How should what you've learned about God's power impact your everyday life? Are there things you need to do this week, to live in light of what you're learning?
8. Read Ephesians 3:20-21 out loud as a group. What is one area of your life you're asking for God to work in, in big ways? Share this with your group, then close in prayer – asking for God's gracious power to play out in this area.
9. **Challenge:** Memorize Ephesians 3:20-21: ²⁰ Now 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, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.