

# Sermon-Based Discussion

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## BIBLE PASSAGES

### Ephesians 3:14-21

#### *Prayer for Spiritual Strength*

**14**For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, **15**from whom every family<sup>c</sup> in heaven and on earth is named, **16**that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, **17**so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, **18**may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, **19**and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

**20**Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, **21**to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

### 2 Timothy 3:12-17

**12**Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, **13**while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. **14**But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom<sup>a</sup> you learned it **15**and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. **16**All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, **17**that the man of God<sup>b</sup> may be complete, equipped for every good work.

## Ezekiel 36:26-28

**26**And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. **27**And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. <sup>a</sup> **28**You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

### Group Discussion & Life Challenge

Use these notes as discussion prompts for your group, or in your personal time with God.

#### **Connect:**

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, fellowship.

#### **Care:**

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

#### **Challenge:**

Dive into God's Word. Use these discussion questions. Learn from each other's insight.

- 1) Paul has a big prayer and hope for all believers in Ephesians 3:14-21. What part of this prayer stands out to you as we read through it, and why?**
- 2) Bryce gave the picture of a ship being tossed in the sea as a visual of what the prayer may have been for. Is that a good picture to describe this season of life you are in, why or why not?**
- 3) How do you keep yourself focused on trusting God and rooted in love throughout your day/week?**
- 4) Share with the group some distractions that exist in your life that move you away from trusting God fully.**
- 5) What is your storm right now, and how can others be praying for you this week?**

#### **Clarify:**

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

#### **Celebrate:**

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

### **KEY TAKEAWAYS**