

{ Dinnertime Devotionals }



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Weekly Theme: Ephesians 2 & 3

Verse #1: Ephesians 2:19-22

(I use the NKJV Bible for these devotionals. Questions are based on that text.)

All Ages Discussion Starter: Let's think back for a moment.... To which group (or type) of people is this letter addressed? How does this impact v19? What is a cornerstone? And why is the church (people) referred to in these terms? **BO-NUS:** What NT verse says we are God's dwelling?

Verse #2: Ephesians 3:1-7

All Age Discussion Starter: Do some Bible or online research... How many times was Paul put in prison (or house arrest) for the cause of Christ? How many times was he beaten?

Paul's main purpose in ministry was to minister to which group of people? Why was this such a big deal?

What problems can you think of that come up again and again as the Gentiles are brought into the church along with the Israelites?

Verse #3: Ephesians 3:8-13

All Age Discussion Starter: Some people say that Paul was pretty full of himself. What does v8 say about the way Paul viewed himself? How should this impact us as Christians?

Do these verses give you the impression that we will be able to know everything about God's plan for our lives and the world we live in?

What can we know for a certainty about our lives? (Hint: We can know that we are saved. What does the Bible say about this topic?)

Verse #4: Ephesians 3:14-19

All Age Discussion Starter: Again, what was Paul's attitude towards/before God? What should this teach us about our own attitude?

It is a tall order when we ask to fully comprehend God's love for us. Paul speaks of the 'width, length, depth, and height' of God's love. This gives us the impression that it is BIG.

As a family, take a moment to consider God's love for you. Try to vocalize it as a family, sharing your views on His love.

Verse #5: Ephesians 3:20-21

All Age Discussion Starter: What a powerful way to close out a thought. God can do 'exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think.'

Try as a family to give examples of God's power, providence, and majesty. Have you thanked Him for His work in your life?

Glory—We often sing about it, but do we truly give God the glory He deserves?