

Small Group Questions for the Week of January 18, 2015

The following questions are taken from the book entitled Be Rich by Warren Wiersbe. Please do not feel compelled to ask every question that is listed below. You know your group better than the person writing the questions. Ask the questions that are best for your group, and questions that you yourself are comfortable answering.

Please read Ephesians 3:14-21

1. Paul prayed that they would be strengthened with power through the Holy Spirit. If you've ever prayed for strength, what did you want the strength for?
2. What did Paul want his readers to have the strength to do? Why did that require strength?

Note to leader: In the sermon we talked about how Paul was transitioning into the part of the letter where he would give lots of commands, exhortations and calls to obey. Paul knows it is often difficult to obey God's command to love those around us. Therefore, Paul prays that his readers would have strength to obey whatever God calls them to do. In short, Paul prays that the Ephesians would have strength to obey. And they need God's strength because it is hard (even impossible without God.)

3. How strongly aware are you of Christ's incomprehensible love for you? What is the evidence in your outlook on life and your habits?
4. How does a person grow in awareness of Christ's love for him or her?

Note to leader: In the sermon it was mentioned that we grasp and know Christ's love for us better as we love others.

5. What is God's fullness? How can we experience it in practical ways?

Note to leader: In the sermon it was stated to experience God's fullness is to experience all of His presence, power and love.

6. What impressed you most about Paul's prayer? Why?