

60-Day New Testament Journey
Little Me, Big God
February 23/24, 2013

Memorize

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. - Ephesians 3:20, NIV

Connect With Others (choose one)

1. Who was God to you when you were a child?
 - A policeman who was waiting for me to make a mistake
 - Someone I thought a lot about
 - Someone I didn't think about much
 - A grandfather, kind and loving
 - A magic genie
 - Other: _____

2. Where or to whom do you turn when you are discouraged?

Commit to Growth

Read Ephesians 3:13-21

1. Read 1 Peter 4:12-13. What false assumption does Peter set straight in 4:12? How often are you surprised by the trials of life?

2. When Paul prays, he both kneels and refers to God as the "Father" (v. 14). What do these two aspects of his prayer indicate about his relationship with God?

3. Paul speaks of a constant prayer that he offers to God on behalf of the church in Ephesus. The things that Paul prays for are the things he believes are the solutions to suffering and discouragement. What are the things he prays for (v.14-21)?

4. Of the things Paul prays for, which do you think you need the most? Which of these things could you pray for someone you know?

5. What do you picture when you hear phrases like “out of his glorious riches”, “this love that surpasses knowledge”, and “who is able to do immeasurably more”? What does that tell you about how much Jesus loves us? About how much He loves you?

6. In verse 20, Paul talks about the extent of God’s power in relation to our prayers. According to the apostle, how sufficient is God’s power for answering any prayers that we might offer? What do you imagine Christians would be like as a result of this prayer?

7. If God is truly able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, how does that impact your thoughts about God and prayer?

Pray