

SMALL GROUP STUDY GUIDE



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Alive: Spirit of Love: Loving God

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Our lives are filled with transitions where we're sending and being sent. What wisdom does Scripture have for us in these pivotal moments?

SCRIPTURE TEXT: EPHESIANS 3:14-21

Read the scripture text together as a group.

BACKGROUND INFO

Today we are gathered around a goodbye letter of sorts from Paul to his spiritual children in the city of Ephesus. He puts into words what so many of us have had caught in our throats as we have said goodbye to our kids, our loved ones, and some stages of life.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What words of wisdom has somebody shared with you during a time of transition in your life? What words of wisdom have you shared with someone else during a time of transition? Is there something you wish you would have said but couldn't find the words in the moment?
- Re-read Ephesians 3:14-21. How is Paul's prayer for the Ephesians similar to the way you pray for others? How is it different?
- What are some examples of the height of God's love? Depth? Length? Width? Read these passages for more ideas: Psalm 103:11-12, Psalm 139, Micah 7:19, Jeremiah 31:3, and John 3:16. Share a story about how you have personally experienced the height, depth, length or width of God's love.
- Paul prays that all Christians "may be filled with all the fullness of God." What hinders you from experiencing the fullness of God? What would God want you to empty yourself of to make more room for Him?

APPLICATION: These words from Paul are so important because they remind us that higher than the mountains we face, deeper than the valleys and the pain, one thing remains and that is the love of God. And the good news is that in the same way it was there for the Ephesians, it is here for you. So take some time to meditate on the height, the depth, and the fullness of God's love ... for you ... today ... and always.