

# SERMON NOTES



## Ephesians

*“Becoming Who You Are  
in Christ!”*

### **Week 6: “Loved!”**

*August 4, 2024*

Who we are:

- We are \_\_\_\_\_, called by God in eternity to be his own.
- We are \_\_\_\_\_, knowing Christ and his love for us
- We are \_\_\_\_\_, saved by the love of God and given purpose.
- We are \_\_\_\_\_ with God’s people, included in the kingdom of grace
- We are \_\_\_\_\_ of the Gospel, proclaiming Jesus to people.

Paul’s Pastoral Prayer:

*14 For this reason I kneel before the Father, 15 from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. 16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.*

*20 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, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.*

# Know the immensity of God's love for you!

*...grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ,...*

## 1. The width of God's love includes you in his \_\_\_\_\_.

- *1 John 3:1 How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!*
- *John 15:13 Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.*
- *Ephesians 1:13 And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.*

## 2. The length of God's love stretches beyond your \_\_\_\_\_.

### a. Has more \_\_\_\_\_

- *Ephesians 2:4-5 But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.*

### b. Has more \_\_\_\_\_

- *John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.*

## 3. The depth of God's love roots deeply in your \_\_\_\_\_.

- *Colossians 2:6 So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, 7 rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.*
- *2 Corinthians 5:14 For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. 15 And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.*

#### 4. The height of God's love \_\_\_\_\_ us!

##### a. God's love \_\_\_\_\_ us!

- *Colossians 2:9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, 10 and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority*

##### b. God's love \_\_\_\_\_ from us!

- *Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*
- *<sup>1 John 4:19</sup> We love because he first loved us.*

**Become who you are...\_\_\_\_\_!**

### MY PERSONAL NOTES

***Everyone Outreach Witness Idea:*** Surprise someone with an act or expression of God's love. Let it flow into you and then from you to others!

NEXT SUNDAY: *Becoming Who You Are! Time to Grow up!*

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*7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace & that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. Ephesians 1:7-8*

## **SERMON REFLECTIONS: Apply to My Life**

**The thought the Spirit is leading me to focus on is:**

**The change the Spirit is leading me to work on is:**

**The action the Spirit is prompting me to take is:**

**My prayers today are:**

**Someone I would like to bless with today's message:**