

ALL-CHURCH STUDY GUIDE

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Week 3: I am Empowered ... because I am rooted in love

PRAY

Ask for ears to hear, eyes to see, and a heart open to the truths that God will speak to you through your time together today.

ICEBREAKER

(Catch-up Time)

Were you able to practice the action step? What happened? Or if not, what prevented you from doing it?

READ

All of Ephesians chapter 3 in the NIV translation

WATCH

Play the week 3 video now. (You will be prompted twice to pause the video and discuss some questions!)

DISCUSSION

Pause & Discuss (1)

1. Why is God's love for us so hard for us to grasp?
2. What do you think might be different in our daily lives if we could not only grasp it but know it deeply in our hearts?

Resume the video

Pause & Discuss (2)

3. Since this is a love that "surpasses knowledge" --- how do you think we can become more aware of God's love for us?
4. What do you think it means to be "filled to the measure of all the fullness of God"?

Resume the video

AFTER THE VIDEO

5. What would you say is your primary identity (i.e. a wife and mom, a husband and father, a professional, a good friend, etc.)?
6. What do you think might change about your life if you could say that your primary identity was that of a beloved child of God?

PRAYER TIME

Pray for any personal requests and pray specifically for the congregations of our churches, that we might all become fully rooted in the love of God and live out of it wherever we are.

ACTION STEP

This week, root yourself in the love of God at the beginning of each day, in the way that works best for you. As you move through your day, remind yourself of God's love for you and for each person you encounter, even people you pass by in the street. Exchange phone numbers with one other person in the group and make a point of texting them sometime in the week to remind them that they are deeply loved by God.