

Part 1: Depend On His Power

Begin

Ephesians 3:16-20

I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. 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"

Reflect

- What is God saying to you through this passage or this past week's teaching?
- What is something you can do to respond to what God is saying to you?
- How can we help you with your response?

Review

Jesus is above all rule, authority, power, and dominion. Everything has been placed under his feet. His authority provides hope, and He extends His power through us, the church, to accomplish His purposes. This power is not coercive or unjust, but gentle and subversive. His power helps guide us and point people to Him.

- What power and authorities do you think Paul was talking about?
- What does it look like to be empowered "in" Jesus opposed to "by" Jesus?
- What hope do you have knowing Jesus has authority over all things?
- Were you empowered in Jesus this past week to point others to Him? If so, share that experience.

PRAY

Take some time to pray for those you are gathered with. Along with prayer requests, specifically pray for one another to lean into Jesus's power so we can point people to Him.