



What's On Your Prayer List?

Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. 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 saints, 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, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

1. **A PRAYER OF** _____
(2 Chronicles 6:13, Mark 14:35, 36, Acts 20:36-38)

- a. Because of the stunning _____ upon himself
- b. Because of his own profound _____

2. **A PRAYER FOR** _____

- a. Derived from God's _____
- b. Dependent on our strengthening through _____
(2 Corinthians 4:16)

3. **A PRAYER FOR** _____
(Galatians 5:22, Ephesians 1:6, John 3:16, Romans 5:5-8, 1 John 4:16-19)

"Love is the key. Joy is love singing. Peace is love resting. Long-suffering is love enduring. Kindness is love's touch. Goodness is love's character. Faithfulness is love's habit. Gentleness is love's self-forgetfulness. Self-control is love holding the reins."

The Four Magnitudes of Love—Width, Length, Height, and Depth



- a. A love which is _____ enough to embrace the world.
- b. A love which is _____ enough to last forever (1 Corinthians 13:8)
- c. A love which is _____ enough to take sinners to Heaven (1 John 3:1,2).
- d. A love which is _____ enough to take Christ to everyone (Philippians 2:8).

4. **A PRAYER FOR** _____
(Colossians 1:19, Colossians 2:9, 10, 1 John 5:14)

Group Discussion:

- **Start It Out**

Have you ever received the exact gift you wanted from your birthday, Christmas, or anniversary wish list? What was it?

- **Talk It Out**

1. *We should pray with confidence in the truth of the Gospel.* How do you feel when you talk to God? How does your prayer time emulate or differ from prayer the way that Paul describes? What would need to occur for you to pray to God with both humility and confidence?
2. *We should pray for Spiritual Strength.* Do you hesitate to pray to for spiritual strength? Why or why not? What would be most helpful in the long run: an individual solution to a circumstance and challenge OR increased spiritual strength and power through the Holy Spirit? Why? What are some of God's "glorious riches" that might be helpful in our lives?
3. *If we are properly rooted, properly constructed on a foundation of Christ's love, nothing can shake us.* How does Christ live in us? *To dwell can also mean "to be at home", it gives the idea of settling down and being comfortable.* What are some possible advantages to Jesus being comfortable living in our hearts?



4. *We should pray for the Fullness of the love of God.* Is it possible for the fullness of God's love to fill us completely? Why or Why not? What would that look like in your life? In Virginia? In your neighborhood? What are some examples of the height of God's love? Depth? Length? Width?

▪ **Walk It Out—Cross the Bridge: Your Next 7 Day Assignment**

Take a couple of minutes to silently pray, asking God to reveal/show you how God wants to live in you fully and what God would want you to empty yourself of to make more room for Him?