



# ENGAGE GUIDE

## SUNDAY'S SERMON // SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14 EPHESIANS 3:8-13 // ONE PURPOSE, ONE MESSAGE

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

*Use these questions in your community (family, life group, ABF, etc.) to apply this sermon in your life.*

1. Read Ephesians 3:6-13.
2. Take a minute to recap the main theme of the past two weeks: The mystery. What is it? Do you have any questions regarding this word/concept to ask the group?
3. What was Paul's charge (it was a grace given him from the Lord), and what was his intent? How does his charge align with our charge (Matthew 28:18-20)?
4. "The heavenly realms" – This phrase in verse 10 is one of several times Paul mentions it in the book of Ephesians. Take a moment and read Ephesians 1:3, 1:19b-21, 2:6-7, 3:10, and 6:10-12. What's he referring to in these texts when he mentions "heavenly realms"? In light of all these verses, re-read verse 3:10. What is the church's role regarding "the heavenly realms"?
5. How are you, personally and as a group, doing in proclaiming this message? What are some areas of strength? What are some areas of growth? (See Luke 10:17-24 for an extended discussion on this topic.)
6. Have you experienced adversity within your Oikos? Share what this has looked like in the past. How does Ephesians 3:13 encourage you to persevere?

## NEXT SUNDAY // SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21 EPHESIANS 3:14-20

### **SCRIPTURE: READING ABOUT GOD**

*Take time to read and become familiar with this passage before hearing it preached next Sunday.*

- What words were used/repeated/emphasized in this passage?
- Where else in Scripture are these words described/illustrated?
- How does this passage describe God?
- In your own words, summarize this passage, trying to identify the main theme.

### **PRAYER: COMMUNICATING WITH GOD**

*Allow your responses to these questions to affect your prayers this week for...*

- Yourself
- The Church
- Your Oikos