



Ephesians 3:14-21 – Love That Surpasses Knowledge Discussion Questions

Pray for God's help as you turn to look at His word, to understand and respond rightly to what you'll see.

Read through verses 14-21 slowly, carefully considering the words and their meaning.

1. How would you describe the mood, or tone of Paul's prayer: how do you think he felt as he prayed it? How does Paul's prayer compare to your own prayers for OPC?
2. "For this reason I kneel..." (v14). After an aside, Paul now picks up what he was about to pray in 3:1. What had he just described in 2:21-22? How does Paul's prayer flow from the fact God has made the church his dwelling place by the Spirit?
3. As well as the idea that we are God's temple, what other truths about God's plan for the church come to a climax in 3:14-21?
4. Knowing Christ and his love are at the heart of Paul's prayer in vv16-19. What are the different lessons about knowing Christ that we need from these verses?



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5. In vv14-15 and 20-21 Paul tells us about the God he is praying to. How do these verses encourage us to pray Paul's prayer to God for our church?
6. How does this prayer challenge the way we see God, Christ and the church?

Pray

- Pray that God would help us grasp how just how much he is committed to filling us as Christ's church with his glory.
- Pray that God would change the way we think about knowing Christ, so that we would depend less upon our own power of intellect and more on God's power to give us knowledge of Christ's love in our hearts.
- Pray that God would do a powerful work in us, to help us experience Christ's love more deeply so that we are changed to the glory of God!