



Group Leader Guide | Live in Me

#3 in the Prayer Series: *Wide Open*

Ephesians 3:12-19

Talk Recap | January 26, 2025

Big Idea

If I'm open to it, God will live in me—transforming me from the inside out.

In this talk, Eric explores the theme of living with a "wide open" faith, focusing on the transformative power of prayer and God's indwelling presence. Drawing from Ephesians 3, he encourages believers to approach God with boldness and confidence, made possible through Christ. The talk highlights the significance of posture in prayer, the limitless abundance of God's resources, and the profound, stabilizing love of Christ that roots us deeply. Ultimately, the message is about inviting Christ to dwell in our hearts, allowing Him to transform us from the inside out.

Ice Breakers

1. Share a memorable experience where you felt completely open to new possibilities. What was it, and how did it change you?
2. If you could choose one spiritual gift to enhance your faith journey, what would it be and why?

Discussion Questions

1. **CONTEXT:** In Ephesians 3:12, Paul emphasizes approaching God with boldness and confidence because of Christ.
 - **QUESTION:** How does this understanding of access to God through Christ influence your approach to prayer?
 - **APPLICATION:** Reflect on your current prayer habits. What changes can you make to pray with more boldness and confidence this week?
2. **CONTEXT:** Eric discussed the importance of physical posture in prayer, using Paul's act of kneeling as an example.
 - **QUESTION:** How does your physical posture during prayer impact your spiritual attitude and focus?
 - **APPLICATION:** Try different prayer postures this week (e.g., kneeling, standing, arms open) and note any differences in your prayer experience.



Group Leader Guide | Live in Me

#3 in the Prayer Series: *Wide Open*
Ephesians 3:12-19

3. **CONTEXT:** The talk highlights God's unlimited riches and abundance.
 - **QUESTION:** In which areas of your life do you find it difficult to trust in God's abundance?
 - **APPLICATION:** Identify one area where you feel a sense of scarcity and intentionally pray for God's abundant provision and wisdom.
4. **CONTEXT:** Ephesians 3:17 speaks of Christ making His home in our hearts.
 - **QUESTION:** What does it mean for Christ to "make His home" in your heart, and how does that manifest in your daily life?
 - **APPLICATION:** Consider one area of your heart or life that you have not fully opened to Christ. What steps can you take to invite Him in more fully?
5. **CONTEXT:** The talk concludes with the idea of being rooted in God's love, which provides strength and stability.
 - **QUESTION:** How have you experienced God's love as a source of strength during difficult times?
 - **APPLICATION:** Think of someone in your life who might need encouragement. How can you share the message of God's unshakeable love with them this week?

Prayer 🙏

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the opportunity to gather and reflect on Your Word. Help us to approach You with boldness and confidence, knowing that through Christ, we have access to Your abundant love and resources. May we open our hearts fully to You, allowing Your presence to transform us from the inside out. Strengthen our roots in Your love, so we may stand firm in faith and share Your love with others. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.