

Friday, November 15: Read [Ephesians 3:7-12](#)

Paul explains God's intentions in verse 10. Apparently, the gospel is more than just our salvation. What does it mean that God wants to reveal his wisdom to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms? Are these angels or demons? ([Ephesians 6:12](#)). What does he want to show them through all who are redeemed by Christ? (Note [Zechariah 3:1-10](#), [1 Peter 5:6-9](#), [Revelation 12:10-11](#)).

Finally, don't miss the significance of verse 12 for you personally. In Christ, you have been given full freedom to approach the Almighty God at anytime for any need or reason. Take your confidence in your good standing in Christ. Yield yourself daily to him. Approach God for all your needs and concerns. And thank him often, he's working in and through your life!

Friday: Pray for Our Missionaries

Juan & Adriana Palacios (Angola, Africa), **David & Miriam Trott** (Cochabamba, Bolivia), **Mario Bloise** (Argentina), **Dan & DeAnn Gerard** (San Antonio, TX), , **Craig & Shelly Shafer** (Sentani, Indonesia), **Sue Saunders** (Bosnia), **Matt and Becky Kooi** (Tijuana), **Daniel Jezowski** (Wycliffe), **Andrew & Sara Williams** (Ethnos360), **Brad and Christa Babjack** (University of West Virginia), **Salomon and Megan Guzman** (Tijuana), **Alvaro and Rachel Garriga** (Central Asia), **William and Salma Garcia** (Tijuana church plant)

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Be the CHURCH is DISCIPLESHIP

Spiritual Disciplines Guide:

- *Invite the Holy Spirit to guide your reading each day.*
- *Read the chapters and underline any meaningful verses and take note of specific advice or wisdom gleaned from your reading.*
- *Note any unclear passages or teaching and seek insight, answers or help.*
- *Think about what you're reading. Ask:*
 1. *How does this apply to me?*
 2. *Are there any temptations to avoid, sins to confess, commands to obey or promises to claim?*
 3. *What insight do I gain on God, myself, others, or life?*
- *Ask God to show you any specific action you need to take as you read.*

Monday, November 11 Read [Ephesians 3:1-20](#)

Let's start the week by reading all of chapter three. Notice what's in the chapter, what themes Paul is addressing. If we had to break it down, we could naturally divide it into two parts. Verses 1-12 carry on from chapter two the idea of the mystery of the gospel and the inclusion of the Gentiles. Verses 13-21 cover another prayer of the Apostle on behalf of the Ephesian believers.

If time permits, why not go back and do the same for chapters one and two. Summarize what's in each and get a general feel for what Paul is saying to the church both then and now.

Monday: Pray for yourself:

---My relationship with God

—My life roles and responsibilities

—My personal needs/weak areas

—My goals and objectives for the fall season

Tuesday, November 12: Read [Ephesians 3:1,13](#)

Paul is in prison. Why? What crime has he committed? (Note [Acts 21:26-36](#)). What is Paul's attitude about his imprisonment according to [Ephesians 6:19-20](#), [Philippians 1:12-21](#), [Colossians 4:3-4](#)?

What recent circumstances have threatened to imprison (shut you down, limit) you? What is your attitude toward your situation? Does God have a plan to work in and through your limitations? Why not ask him and then entrust yourself to his mercy and grace. ([1 Peter 4:19](#))

Tuesday: Pray for Family and Friends by Name.

Wednesday November 13: Read [Ephesians 3:2-6](#)

In what sense is the gospel of Christ a "mystery"? What didn't the early disciples and the Jews understand about Jesus' mission? (Note [Romans 11:25-36](#), [Colossians 1:24-29](#)) See also [Galatians 1:11-24](#). Thank God he has included you into his holy people because of what Jesus Christ has done for us!

Wednesday: Pray for Bethel Gilead Community Church

1. **Leadership**: Pray for God's grace and guidance in Pastor Jim and Pastor David's ministries and families. Pray for Linda Penn in her work at BGCC. Pray for the church council and the various ministry team leaders. Ask the Lord of the harvest to raise up more workers for the harvest ([Matthew 9:38](#))
2. **Worship**: Ask God to strengthen our devotion to Him, in prayer, praise and thanksgiving. Pray for more musicians to help lead the church in worship, including a pianist. Pray for the development of a youth praise team.
3. **Fellowship**: Ask God to deepen our love and commitment to one another as a family of believers. Pray that we incorporate newcomers into our church fellowship. Pray through this past Sunday's congregational prayer requests.
4. **Discipleship**: Ask God to develop the faith, dedication, and leadership of our people. Pray for the children and youth ministries at BGCC. Ask God to bless our small group ministry, to raise up new groups, new teachers and more leaders.
5. **Outreach**: Pray that God will use Bethel Gilead to make a positive impact on our community so that many would come to Christ. Ask God to embolden our people to intentionally reach out to others, especially through the Kingdom Assignments and the upcoming Kingdom Projects.
6. **Future Faith Goals**: Ask God to give our congregation a united vision for the future. Pray for God's clear leading in our 2020 plan as we call our members to a greater love and commitment to the Lord and his service. Ask God to bless our finances so that we can better accomplish his purposes for our congregation.

Thursday, November 14: Read [Ephesians 3:7-9](#)

Paul mentions the "unsearchable riches of Christ". What does he mean by this? In what ways is Christ rich and why can't we search this out? Expand on the idea by reading the following passages: [Ephesians 3:18-19](#), [Colossians 2:1-3](#), [1 Corinthians 1:18-24](#), [Romans 11:33-36](#). Like Paul, ask the Holy Spirit to reveal more to you of who Jesus Christ actually is.

Thursday: Pray for "My World"

(Write down names as God brings people to mind.)

- **Neighbors** • People who live around me. (Focus Four)
- **People at Work** • Others God brings into my life. Take note of specific needs around you and ask God what he wants you to do to help. Who can you invite to church this Sunday?
- **Community** -- Ask God to bring revival and a spiritual awakening to Branch County. Pray for the area churches and a greater spirit of unity and cooperation.
- **America** -- Continue to pray for the nation, our national leaders and a revival in America.