

# VISION CHURCH READING PLAN MARCH 2024

## Ephesians

**Context:** The writer of this book is the Apostle Paul. Though Paul was someone who did not walk with Jesus he had an encounter with Jesus on the road to Damascus and was graced by Christ to reach the gentiles; which is anyone who is not Jewish. Paul went on three missionary trips planting churches among the known world of that time period, until he ended up imprisoned in Rome where he penned this letter along with three others. This is credited to the church he started in Ephesus on his third missionary trip where he spent 3 years teaching in the city (reference Acts 19).

Ephesus was known to be a hub of worship for many gods among the Roman empire with a few Jews living in the area, with a carefree attitude for people to worship who they will (Does that sound familiar?). During his 3 years in Ephesus, Paul spoke publicly and in many homes proclaiming the good news. So much so there was a big bonfire created to burn books of other teachings. He shook the foundations of this city with the truth of Christ.

In this letter to Ephesus, as Paul commonly did, he starts with the doctrine of who Jesus is, what He's done for us, and how that should shift us to respond. He gives us teaching on how to conduct ourselves in our homes as well as unify with other believers Jew and Gentile alike. He points out how our relationship with others correlates to our relationship with Christ. Paul closes out the letter by teaching how to withstand attacks from the enemy in a fight that's already been won on the cross.

\*\* As you are reading this text keep in mind the context of who the writer is and the people group he is writing to. As you read through, ask the Lord in prayer how you can apply this teaching to your own life with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Look for verses that stick out to you, write them down, go back to them and ask the Lord to help you hide them in your heart. Ephesians is packed with rich teaching that can help us in our walk with Christ\*\*

\*You can use the SOAP method we have taught in Bible study on Wednesday nights as well.

S.O.A.P  
S-Scripture  
O-Observation  
A- Application  
P-Prayer

### **Week 1 Ephesians 1 & 2**

Day 1- Read both Chapters 1 & 2

Day 2- 1:1-10

Day 3- 1:11-14

Day 4- 1:15-22

Day 5- 2:1-10

Day 6- 2:11-18

Day 7- 2:19-22

**Bonus: Read all the way through chapters 1 & 2 again to see if the passages speak to you differently than they did on day 1 of this week.**

### **Week 2 Ephesians 3 & 4**

Day 8- Read both Chapters 3 & 4

Day 9- 3:1-13

Day 10- 3:14-21

Day 11- 4:1-6

Day 12- 4:7-16

Day 13- 4:17-24

Day 14- 4:25-32

**Bonus: Read all the way through chapters 3 & 4 again.**

### **Week 3 Ephesians 5**

Day 15- Read all of Chapter 5

Day 16- 5:1-7

Day 17- 5:8-14

Day 18- 5:15-20

Day 19- 5:21-24

Day 20- 5:25-33

Day 21- Read Chapter 5 again

### **Week 4 Ephesian 6**

Day 22- Read all of Chapter 6

Day 23- 6:1-9

Day 24- 6:10-17

Day 25- 6:18-20

Day 26- 6:21-24

Day 27- Read through Chapter 6 again

Day 28- Read the whole book of Ephesians

Notes and key verses: