# **BIG TRUTH: GOD'S LOVE TRANSFORMS US**

Galatians 5:22-25; 2 Corinthians 5:14-15; 13; Hebrews 12:1-3

# **BIBLE VERSE: EPHESIANS 3:17-19**

"so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."

## **BIG IDEAS**

- The Holy Spirit makes us more like Jesus.
- God's love for us is supernatural and transformative.
- God's purposes for His children are beyond their imagination and for His glory.

# **BIBLE PASSAGE: EPHESIANS 3:14-21**

## **TRANSFORM - I AM IN CHRIST**

The Transform Year is an exploration of what it means to become a "new creation" in Jesus. (2 Corinthians 5:17) In order for this to happen, we must first find our identity in Him. Many of us live in a consistent state of identity crises. We wrestle with questions like who am I, where do I belong, why do I exist? The answer to these questions is found in Jesus. Our prayer for this semester is that like the Apostle Paul we would be able to say, "I have been crucified with Christ, it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." (Galatians 2:20).

## SERIES AIMS

#### Every student should know that...

- God is holy and we are separated from Him in our sin.
- The gospel transforms sinners into saints.
- The Christian life is about becoming who we already are in Christ.



KNOW

### Every student should strive to...

- Read the entire book of Ephesians
- Memorize the Bible Verse each week during the Ephesians series.
- Learn how to use a commentary.

# FAMILY WORKOUT

God's plans and purposes are far greater than we can imagine. This week, we will consider how to help our student understand the depth of God's love. We will pray for opportunities to bring God glory in the local church and we will practice growing in our knowledge of God's love.



WANT

### Every student should feel...

- The depth of their sin against the holy God.
- Wonder and awe at the good news of the gospel.
- Secure in the identity that they now have in Jesus.

### Every student should want to...

- Be transformed by the gospel.
  - Put sin to death and pursue holiness.
  - Share the good news of the gospel.





# FOCUS: I AM IN CHRIST / SERIES: GOD IS HOLY-I AM A SINNER/SAINT GOD'S LOVE TRANSFORMS US



#### Meditate upon Ephesians 3:14-21.

- Consider ways to help your son or daughter understand that God's love is supernatural and transformative.
- Consider how to discuss with your son and daughter what it means that God uses the church to bring glory to Himself.

# Consider ways to lead your student to a greater understanding of the depth of God's love and the ways that it transforms lives.

• Meditate upon ways to help your student understand that God can do far greater things than he or she can imagine.



#### Set up a time this week to spend in prayer with your son or daughter.

- As you pray, ask God to help your son or daughter understand greater the depth of God's love and its transformative power.
- Spend time this week praying with your student for God to use each of you to bring Himself glory through His church. Spend time in prayer, praising God for the truth that His plans and purposes are unimaginable.



#### Read pages 81-92 in Christ-Centered Exposition: Exalting Jesus in Ephesians

- Set up a time to meet with your son or daughter to discuss some of the question found on page 92. Share with your son or daughter some of the things you learn from reading these pages.
- Set aside a time to discuss with your student the ways that he or she imagines God can use them. Share with your student the ways you think God can use them and then discuss how God's plans and purposes are even greater than what either of you can imagine.