

BIG TRUTH: GOD IS REDEEMING A NEW FAMILY

Mark 10:35-45; Philippians 3:3-13; Galatians 2:20; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 1:26-31; Galatians 3:28

BIBLE VERSE: EPHESIANS 3:6

“This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.”

BIG IDEAS

- The Gospel has come to the unexpected and unworthy.
- In His grace, God transforms spiritual orphans into family members and sinful spectators into His ambassadors.
- God’s plan of redemption began before the beginning.

BIBLE PASSAGE: EPHESIANS 3:1-13

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.



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 strive to...

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



Every student should want to...

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

FAMILY WORKOUT

God’s grace and mercy rescues the spiritual orphan. We will consider with our son or daughter what it means to be unworthy of the gospel. We will pray for opportunities for our son or daughter to share the gospel with others. We will help our student practice sharing the gospel boldly and with confidence.



Meditate upon Ephesians 3:1-13 this week.

- How can you help your son or daughter think about how they are like Paul when he says he is the least of the saints?
- How can you lead your student to think of the ways their life has changed since becoming a believer?
- How can you share with your son or daughter the mystery of the gospel if they are not a believer?

Consider how to discuss with your son or daughter that the gospel came for the unexpected and unworthy.

- Consider how you can help them understand that they are the unexpected and unworthy.



Spend time praying with your son or daughter each day this week.

- As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to guide each of you to a greater understanding of the mystery of the gospel. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you explain that the gospel is for the unworthy and we all are unworthy.
- Spend time praying with your student asking God to help them share the gospel boldly and with confidence this week. Pray for specific people that your student knows and has a burden to share the gospel with.



Set aside time to meet with your student this week to discuss their reading of Ephesians 3:1-13.

- Help your student better understand the passage by reading pages 69-80 in Christ-Centered Exposition: Exalting Jesus in Ephesians.

Help your son or daughter make a list of lost people they would like to share the gospel with.

- Make your own list of people and share it with them. Make a plan to share the gospel with at least one person on the list and help your son or daughter make a plan as well.

Set up a time to meet again to discuss any opportunities to share with the person you each chose for this week.