

Small Group Questions – Week of 9/14/25

***Note to Leaders:** There are more questions than time permits. Please choose the ones you'd like to cover, and follow the leading of the Spirit.*

1. Looking Back on Ephesians

After spending the last 16 weeks in Ephesians, what are your biggest takeaways?

- Is there a theme, verse, or truth that you hope to hold onto long-term?
- How has this study changed how you see God, yourself, or the church?

2. Digging into the Passage

Reread **Ephesians 6:18-24**.

- What stands out to you from this passage or from Sunday's sermon?
- Why do you think Paul chose to end his letter this way?

3. Linking Ephesians to Joshua 1

Read **Joshua 1:1-9**.

- What similarities do you see between God's charge to Israel and Paul's call to the Ephesians?
- How do both passages describe courage, obedience, and God's presence?
- What might it look like for us to step into our identity in Christ with courage today?

4. The Call to Prayer

Paul ends his section on spiritual warfare with an urgent call to prayer.

- Why do you think prayer is emphasized here?
- How might prayer "keep the armor on" in a practical way?

5. Types of Prayer

- Paul says to "pray on all occasions with all kinds of prayers."
- Read the following passages and identify the type of prayer being modeled:
 - **Psalm 148:13** – (Praise/Adoration)
 - **1 Chronicles 16:34-35** – (Thanksgiving & Intercession)
 - **Psalm 32:5** – (Confession)
 - **Ephesians 1:15-23** – (Intercession & Thanksgiving)
 - **James 5:13-16** – (Petition & Healing Prayer)
- Which type of prayer comes most naturally to you? Which one is hardest?

6. Praying for Gospel Boldness

Paul asks for prayer that he would share the gospel courageously.

- If we were to pray for you in your gospel witness, which word fits best:
Graciously, consistently, passionately, gently, fearlessly, tirelessly, or something else?

7. Celebrating the Unsung Heroes

Paul honors Tychicus as a faithful servant.

- Who are the sung or unsung heroes of your own faith story? What can we learn from their example?

8. Paul's Final Blessing

Read **Ephesians 6:23-24**.

- What blessings does Paul leave with the church? How do those land on you personally?
- Do you feel churches today excel at blessing one another this way? How might we grow in this?