

Digging Deeper: Ephesians 6:18–24

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Ephesians 6:18–24 (ESV)

¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints,¹⁹ and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel,²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

Final Greetings

²¹So that you also may know how I am and what I am doing, Tychicus the beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord will tell you everything.²²I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are, and that he may encourage your hearts.

²³Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.²⁴Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with love incorruptible.

Day 1

This week is our final study of Ephesians! For over 7 months, we have looked into the glorious truths of Paul's letter! As we begin our study this week, look back over the entire book. What are 3 to 4 of the most important truths you have gathered? How would you compare the 1st 3 chapters with the last 3 chapters? If you were discipling a new believer, how would you describe the "so what" of this book to them?

Day 2

Today, read Ephesians 6:18–20. The main focus this week, beyond the final greetings, is prayer. Read these passages carefully. Think through this, in the 1st 3 chapters of this book, God describes what He has done for every Christian, and now Paul is calling us to pray? What does this tell you about prayer? How important is it? How much and often should we pray?

Day 3

Today we continue on with prayer. Paul tells us to pray for all the saints. What does this suggest for the importance of us praying for our local body of believers—our Church—in how we should be praying? What about the wider body of Christians in this country and around the world?

Day 4

Today we continue on with prayer. Paul asks to pray for him that he may boldly proclaim the Gospel. What does this suggest the need for our prayer for our elders and pastors? What about those Christians we are discipling? Also, what about when people ask us how they can pray for us? Have you ever considered this request? Today, pray this prayer over your own witnessing that God would increase your boldness.

Day 5

Today we will be reviewing parallel passages on this section on prayer. Look up and consider and meditate on: Proverbs 6:4; Matthew 5:44; Mark 13:33; Luek 18:1; Acts 12:12; Romans 8:26; Colossians 4:2–4; 1 Timothy 2:1; Jude 20.

Day 6

Finally today, we come to the last verses of Ephesians, and it is Paul's final greetings. Read these over. What stands out to you? Consider the words 'grace' and 'peace,' which are common elements Paul prays over the Church. What is love incorruptible? Today, pray you may know the only God and that His love may so transform you for His purposes and for

eternity. Pray the same for the close Christians around you. Grace and peace be unto you both now and forever!