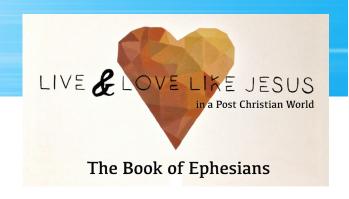
Discussion Questions

December 11, 2022

Ephesians 3:12 We Get to Access God with Boldness & Confidence



1. Read Ephesians 3:11-12

Discuss what this passage would mean for an Ephesian believer at the time coming out of worshipping idols and practicing witchcraft to gain power.

Discuss what are the things that prevent Christians today from accessing God with Confidence and Boldness?

What does it look like today, practically to boldly and confidently come before God?

2. Read Exodus 29:45-46.

What is God's ultimate desire expressed here?

Now Read Revelation 21:1-7

Look specifically at verse 3 & 7, How is God's ultimate desire fulfilled in Eternity?

- 3. Jesus' greatest longing isn't for believers to get sinners into heaven to ignore Him for eternity, but to DWELL with us and for us to be His children. How do we experience life with God today?
- 4. Discuss any areas God may be challenging you to press into Him and experience more of His Spirit as our source of life today.



John 10:10

I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly

Ephesians 3:11-12

This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

Psalm 51:1

Have mercy on me, O God, because of your unfailing love. Because of your great compassion, blot out the stain of my sins.

Psalm 51:8

Oh, give me back my joy again; you have broken me— now let me rejoice.

Psalm 51:12

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and make me willing to obey you.

Ephesians 3:11-12 (ESV)

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Ephesians 1:4-5 (NLT)

Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decidedin advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

Parrēsía - Freedom of Speech (boldness)

Prosagoge - Freedom of Access

Hebrews 4:16

Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Hebrews 10:19-20 (NIV)

Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body,

Hebrews 10:19–21 (The Message)

So, friends, we can now—without hesitation—walk right up to God, into "the Holy Place." Jesus has cleared the way by the blood of his sacrifice, acting as our priest before God. The "curtain" into God's presence is his body.

1 Peter 3:18 (NLT)

Christ suffered for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God.

Romans 5:1–2 (NLT)

Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.

Ephesians 3:12 (NLT)

Because of Christ and our faith in him, we can now come boldly and confidently into God's presence.

Revelation 21:3

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.

Revelation 21:6–7 (NLT)

"It is finished! I am the Alpha and the Omega—the Beginning and the End. To all who are thirsty I will give freely from the springs of the water of life... and I will be their God, and they will be my children.