

## Ephesians 3:15-18 Discussion Questions

Please feel free to use the questions below for group discussion or individual study and reflection after listening to the audio and reading the notes. We trust the Holy Spirit will guide you in how to use them effectively. Please let us know if there are other resources or ways we can support you. Thank you for joining us on this journey and for pursuing truth.

1. Are the offspring of God only His redeemed sons and daughters? Look at the first phrase in Acts 17:29 when Paul is talking to the philosophers in Athens for help. Why do you think this is an important distinction?

2. What is Paul talking about when he uses the word “dwell” in verse 17? Is Paul implying something deeper than Jesus simply being in a believer’s heart?

Consider for a moment...how comfortable is the presence of Christ in you? Is He settled in and feeling at home? What would it be like to tend to our hearts as the dwelling place for Christ?

(Please remember, this is NOT a question to evoke guilt or condemnation. Rather, just to consider an area of life that is easy for us to overlook.)

3. What is the role of faith in each of the questions above?

### **Digging Deeper:**

Look into what the word “tabernacle” means and how the Lord “dwelt” with Israel.

Read Exodus 25:8-9 and chapter 40. How does this bring flavor to the idea of Christ “*dwelling in our hearts through faith*”? In what ways do the tabernacle and the Ark symbolize a believer and God’s presence?