

Ephesians 4:7-10 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. How are gifts and grace connected? Romans 12:6, 1 Peter 4:10

What happens to someone who is working hard to exercise their gifting in their own strength as opposed to the “grace of God” mentioned in Eph. 4:7?

2. Before the ascension of Jesus, where did souls go after physical death? (Luke 16:22) How did that change after the resurrection of Christ? (2 Cor. 5:8, Phil. 1:23)

3. What are the two sides of Sheol? (Luke 16:19-31 & 23:43, 2 Peter 2:4-5, Jude 6)

4. Do you experience Jesus filling “all things” in your daily experience? What does that phrase bring to mind? (1 Cor. 15:26-28)

Digging Deeper:

Let’s dig into the concept of Abraham’s Bosom or Hades with these descriptions of Sheol (Hebrew) or Hades (Greek):

Deut. 32:22

1 Kings 2:6

Job 24:19 & 26:6

Psalms 9:17 & 16:10

Matthew 11:23

Luke 16:23

Acts 2:27, 31

Revelation 20:13

How does this input assist your understanding of the passage this week?