

## Ephesians 3:14 - 21

### Glory in the Church

I. There is glory in the church when we humble ourselves in prayer. 3:14 - 15

II. There is glory in the church when we are rooted and grounded in love. 3:16 - 17

Modern notions of love are an excuse for self-indulgence; Biblical love is defined by self-sacrifice.

Modern notions of love are based on subjective feelings; Biblical love is based on the objective truth of Jesus' death and resurrection.

Modern notions of love are divorced from moral absolutes; Biblical love is grounded in moral absolutes.

Modern notions of love are self-centered; Biblical love is other-centered.

Modern notions of love change; Biblical love is based on the unchanging nature of God.

III. There is glory in the church when we glorify Jesus Christ. 3:18 - 19a

IV. There is glory in the church when we are filled with God Himself. 3:19b

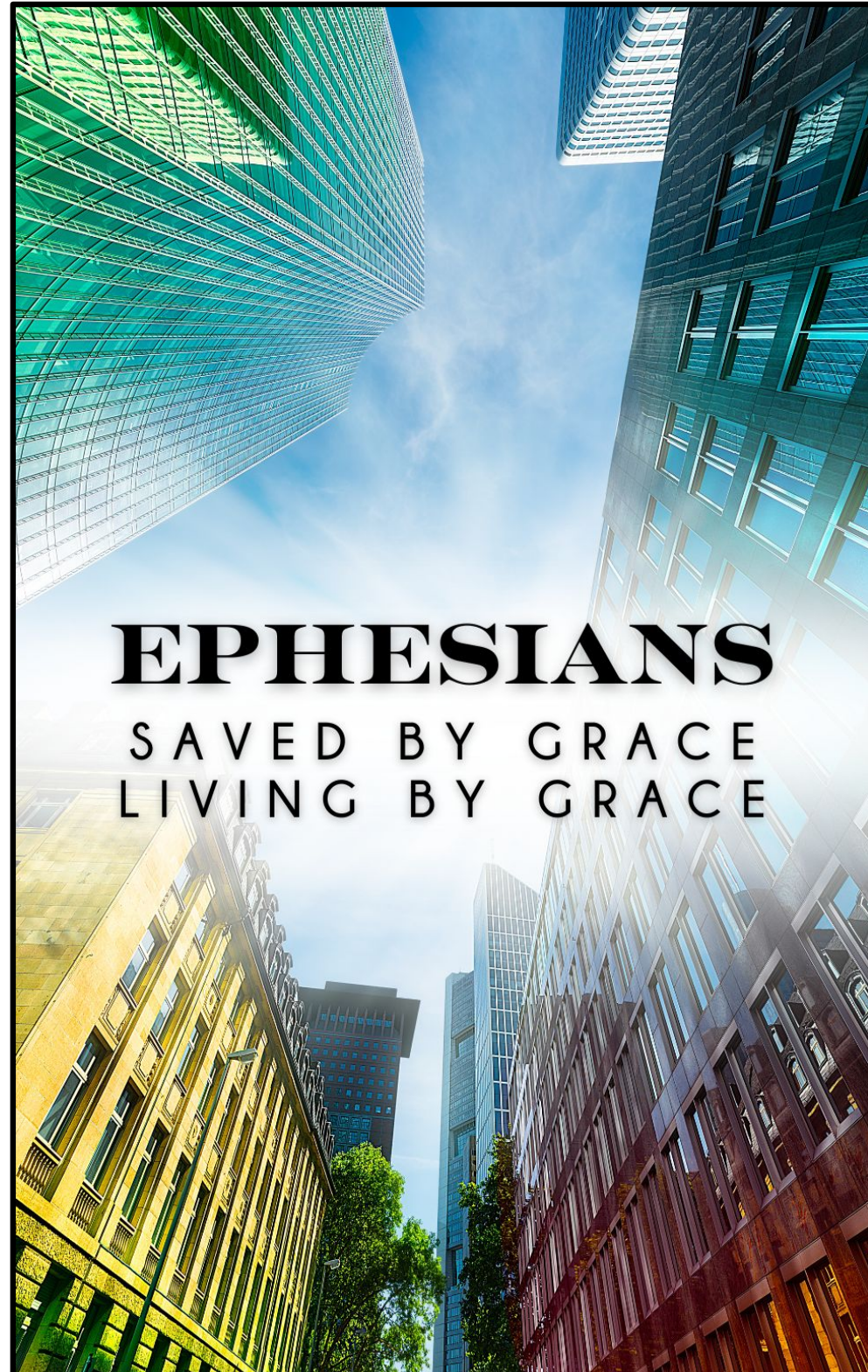
V. There is glory in the church because God can do beyond what we ask or think. 3:20 - 21.

*All scripture readings are taken from the New American Standard (1995) version of The Bible.*



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## August 10, 2025 Welcome to Our Guests!

**We are blessed that you chose to worship with us today!** We hope you will feel right at home. If you need assistance or have a question, please ask any of our folks who are wearing a yellow lanyard or visit The Guest Counter just inside the main doors or The Information Counter in the center of the Gathering Hall.

**We pray** your worship experience today is uplifting and enriching and that you will consider our church family your church family.

**Just FYI: Restrooms** are located in either corridor leading off The Gathering Hall. **Child Care** is available for infants and preschool age children. Our Worship Center is equipped with a **Hearing Induction Loop**. If needed, more information is available at the A/V area in the back of the Worship Center. We also have a **Medical Response Team** ready to assist you if needed during the Worship Service.

### Weekly Bible Studies

**10am Mon - J.O.Y. Class** led by Pastor Hugh Wicks. Area of Study: The Journeys of Paul.

**1pm Mon - Women Disciples** led by Chris Adlfinger. Area of Study: Book of James.

**8:30am Tues - Men's Study Group**, led by Pat Orman at Rohan Recreation Center (Morse Blvd. and Highway 44).

**9am Tues - Men's Fellowship** (*On break until Sept.*)

**10am Tues - Discipleship Group**, in the Cove led by Dr. Otis Lane.

**3pm Tues - Bible Studies For Life** in the Cove, led by George Shealy.

**10am Wed - Precept study of Exodus** (*On break until Sept.*)

**1:30pm Wed - Grief Share** (*On break until Oct*)

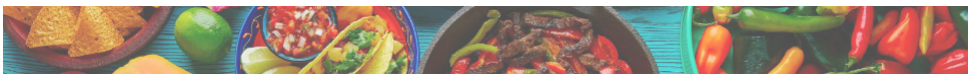
**6pm Thurs - Ephesians Bible Study**, in the Commons, led by Pastor Alan & Lisa Branch.



### Community Group Potlucks

We've learned that sharing a meal together changes things. It's Biblical, it's encouraging and it builds relationships - just what our great Community Groups are striving to do!

Next Sunday, August 17, Groups 4, 23, and 26 will be meeting for lunch immediately following the 10am worship service. You will be contacted by your group leader with all the details.



### THIRD SUNDAY COLLECTION

**Next Sunday** the Collection Team will be waiting for you in the Parking Lot to receive your donations. You may bring:

- **Non-Perishable Food Items** for the Belleview Food Pantry.
- **Gently-used clothing and small household items** for the Haven Shelter which ministers to women and children in crisis.
- **Used or New Christian books** for men and women who are incarcerated. Books are collected by Prison Alliance (formerly The Christian Library International).

### Good News Club Volunteers Needed - Snacks



As we prepare for another exciting year of sharing Jesus to the children at Stanton-Weirsdale Elementary, you can be a part of their story! To help out with snacks and water, please sign up at the Information Desk.

### 2025 Deacon and Executive Committee Nomination

First Baptist Church At The Villages functions as a Congregation, is led by a Pastoral Staff, is administered by an Executive Committee, and is served by Deacons. The annual selection process for Deacons and Executive Committee members includes an opportunity for nominations by members of the congregation. If you would like to nominate someone to be considered for service on the Executive Committee or as a Deacon, please complete a Nomination Form. **Forms, including information about responsibilities and eligibility requirements, are available at the Information Desk. Forms must be submitted to the church by Sunday, August 24.**



**Ladies Night Out!**  
September 20 ♦ 5:30 - 7:30pm  
In The Gathering Hall ♦ \$20  
Tickets available now!

**Fall Bible Study Registration is underway at the Info Desk!**

### Online Giving is available!

More and more people are choosing to give online for its convenience and security. You can give on our website, [www.fbcvillages.org](http://www.fbcvillages.org), or you can give from your phone simply by scanning the QR code. →

