



# ephesians together

## Review

Initial comments, questions, and reactions about the sermon?

### Main Points:

1. **Change in one:** A change when you become a Christian. A different way you relate with God, self and others.
2. **Change when two become one:** A change when Christians get married. A change in flow, role and goal.

## Reflect

Read Ephesians 5:18-32.

### Questions:

1. When you have a bad day, what do you do to make yourself feel better? How do you treat or reward yourself to make your day better?
2. **Read Luke 15:1-10.** What impact does it have that Jesus sought you out and rejoiced in your coming into relationship with him? How does it impact how you view yourself and how you treat others??
3. **Focus on Ephesians 2:18-21.** Joe used the illustration of a dry sponge to show how we are dependent on others in relationships, trying to wring one another out for moisture. Do you ever feel like a dry sponge? In what situations or relationships do you seek fulfillment in others instead of in Jesus?
4. **Focus on v. 21-33.** Marriage can be the best or most difficult relationships in life. If you are married, what steps can you take to live more self-sacrificially for your spouse? How can you love/respect one another better by following Jesus' example? (A great resource for married couples would be coming to **re | engage**, our marriage ministry. couples can join on the first Monday of every month.)

## Respond

Application.

What do you think it would look like if you stopped trying to fill up your sponge with other people and what they think of you? What actions help you live filled in the Spirit and what helps you feel close to God? In what ways can you submit to others in your every day life to love them and point them to Jesus?

## Pray

Go around as a group and ask for prayer requests. Pray as a group together.



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### *Dig Deeper*

If you have time.

The struggle and the victory of putting on Christ.

#### *Main Points:*

1. According to this passage, what should our relationships be marked by as followers of Jesus?
2. How do you see Philippians 2:1-11 and Ephesians 5:18-32 connect together? How do the verses build off one another to give us a better understand of how to be in relationships?
3. Does Jesus' example help you as you wrestle with living sacrificially? Why or why not? How can Jesus' life and example help you love others better on a daily basis?
4. List out the things in your life that you struggle being humble about. How can you think about others more in these areas, more than yourself? How would this impact your life for Jesus' glory long term?

### *Announcements*

Please share with your group! Encourage them to visit the CCC website to sign up or to get more information

1. **CCC 101:** Another session of CCC 101 kicks off on November 7, for three weeks. To discover what that means, get familiar with our church doctrine, and become a member, find out more and sign-up at [ccchapel.com/CCC101](http://ccchapel.com/CCC101).
2. **CCC Members** can sign up online for **Serve 101** on Wednesday, November 28 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The class is designed to help you understand how you are wired, what your passions are and how you can best use your gifts to serve inside and outside of CCC.
3. **re | engage** has open sessions on the first Monday of the month. Join us for November 5 for all couples who want to invest in a marriage that will thrive. The group meets from 6:15-8 p.m. to hear testimonies and encourage one another through God's word.

#### **Don't forget to edit a few scripture references in your devotional:**

- p. 109 (week 10, day 2): Philippians 2:3-8 should be Genesis 3:1-21. The question following it is correct.