

A Church for the City

Ephesians 2-4

- 1) A <u>unified</u> church. (Ephesians 2:13-22)
- 2) A powerful church. (Ephesians 3:14-21)
- 3) A <u>focused</u> church. (Ephesians 4:2-6)
 - Start with our sameness, not differences.
 - What does Jesus want?
 - Place mission over methods.
 - Influence from up close.

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REALife Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or REALife Group.

- 1) Study through Eph. 2-4. What are some of the key themes Paul communicates in this section? How would you feel if you were one of the first Gentile converts reading this letter?
- 2) Look at Paul's prayer in Eph. 3:14-21. What are some of your observations from this passage about how God does His work? How can we apply this prayer in Austin?
- 3) What keeps the churches in Greater Austin from working together to reach the city with the love of Jesus?
- 4) Complete this sentence, "In the next 10 years, my prayer for the church in Greater Austin is..."

Memory Verse

Ephesians 4:3

"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."