

# Ephesians

## Small Group Study

Over 4 weeks we have revisited the Values series through the first 4 chapters of Ephesians.

Ephesians 1 – A new humanity (26 June)

Ephesians 2.1-10 – A church of disciple-makers (3 July)

Ephesians 3.14-21 – A people of the Holy Spirit (10 July)

Ephesians 4 – A Priesthood of all believers (17 July)

Attached is our Vision document with our Values listed on page 5. As a group, have different members read a value each.

Discuss:

- Which value resonates the best for you?
- Which do you find most challenging?
- Is there something within these values that you don't understand?
- After being reminded of our Church values, is there something you're committed to changing in your own life?
- Is there a ministry area that aligns with these values that you'd like to explore further?

Read through each passage (or just choose one) and reflect:

- What is God saying to me through this passage?
- How does this passage support the Church value?
- If our who faith community lived according to this passage, how would it change?

# Our Values



**A renewed humanity:** a multi-ethnic and multi-generational community, displaying the rich unity and diversity of the body of Christ, where all people are loved and valued equally as image-bearers of God. A community marked by kindness, generosity, hospitality and forgiveness, who pursue belonging over perfection, as we grow together in love.

**We are One: we pray that in His Kingdom, God will do the impossible.**

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**A people of the Holy Spirit:** who practise God's presence with maturity, passion, and grace. A community of both Word and Spirit: biblical, joyful, creative, thoughtful, supernatural. We desire the gifts and power of the Spirit for ministry and service, and encourage everyone to join in. We will also draw from church history and engage with ancient spiritual practices such as rest, meditation, fasting, and silence.

**We are One: we pray that by His Spirit, God will do the impossible.**

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**A church of disciple-makers:** equipped and sent to make disciples in all our spheres of influence: in our homes, workplaces, neighbourhoods, schools, online, and around the world. Our passion is to help people discover Jesus, experience His love and grace, and join us as we follow Him. Everything we do serves this goal: to make disciples. Just as the Good Shepherd left the 99 to go after the one, we will join with Him to do the same.

**We are One: we pray that when we Go, God will do the impossible.**

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**A priesthood of all believers:** where all disciples are equipped to do the works of Jesus in the world. A church that serves the least and the last as we work to bring justice, healing, and liberation from the systemic and demonic evils that destroy lives, families, and communities. We will train and send servant leaders who truly follow Jesus, love sincerely, and lead for the sake of others. We will raise up women and men to be a royal priesthood and ambassadors of God, wherever He sends them.

**We are One: we pray that as we Serve, God will do the impossible**