

Love Among God's Family

# We are members of God's family

---

Adopted into God's family (Eph 1:5)

---

Brought together to be at peace with one another (2:14-16)

---

Citizens in God's kingdom

---

Members of His household

---

Forming a holy temple for Him (2:19-22)

---

Fellow members of Christ's body, the church (3:1-7; 4:11-16)

Ephesians 6:21-24  
Message

Staying connected, a suffering  
saint ministers to his brethren by  
employing three relational habits

## Ephesians 6:21-24

### Paul employs three relational habits

1. He provided personal information for prayer, comfort and encouragement
2. He told them he prays for them to have peaceful, loving interactions
3. He told them he prays for God's continual supply of spiritual help

Encourage each other with relevant personal information (21-22)

Be candid about praying for peaceful, loving interactions in the church (23)

Be candid about praying for God's continual supply of spiritual help (24)

Three relational habits flowing from love  
among God's family  
Eph 6:5-6a

*...or, family  
love in action*

# Tychicus - Beloved brother, faithful servant

- Beloved brother and faithful servant (Eph 6:21; Col 4:7)
- From the province of Asia, possibly Ephesus (Acts 20:4; 21:29)
- Character of a servant (*diakonos*), counted on to serve
- Part of Paul's missionary team (Acts 20:4)
- Delivered five NT letters: Col, Phile, Eph, 2 Tim and Titus
- Relieved Timothy in Ephesus to join Paul (2 Tim 4:12)
- May have relieved Titus in Crete to join Paul (Titus 3:12)

“Love with faith” (Eph 6:23)

Genuine faith will cause  
Christlike love to expand  
in our relationships



Paul wrote Ephesians so that  
believers will discover the  
vastness of God's love in calling  
them

and

so that this knowledge would  
motivate them to walk in a  
manner worthy of their calling.

**Purpose of  
Ephesians**



# Ephesians Outline

- I. Discover the **vastness** of God's love in calling you (1-3)
  - A. Greetings (1:1-2).
  - B. Paul praised God for the **riches** of His glory (1:3-14).
  - C. Paul thanked God and prayed for them to know the **value** of their blessings (1:15-23).
  - D. Paul reflected on the **hope** of God's calling (2:1-22)
  - E. Paul encouraged them with the **greatness** of God's power (3:1-13).
  - F. Paul praised God and prayed for them to know the **vastness** of God's love (3:14-21)

# Ephesians Outline

## II. Walk in a **manner worthy** of your calling (4-6)

- A. Walk in **unity** (4:1-16)
- B. Walk in **holiness** (4:17-32)
- C. Walk in **love** (5:1-6)
- D. Walk in **light** (5:7-14)
- E. Walk in **wisdom** (5:15-6:9)
- F. Stand firm in **spiritual warfare** (6:10-20)
- G. Closing Comments (6:21-24)