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GOD'S MARVELOUS PLAN

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Scripture: [EPHESIANS 3:1-13](#)

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We are saved by grace, through faith in Jesus. God's grace sustains us every day. God's grace strengthens us as we serve Jesus.

God has given us spiritual gifts and opportunities to build up His kingdom.

Paul was religious and lost. He knew the Bible, but He didn't know Jesus. He had an encounter with our resurrected Lord. Paul was a violent man who violently persecuted Christians. Jesus transformed Paul's life, and he became a preacher of the Gospel. God called Paul to reach the Gentiles. Paul traveled and started new churches, led many people to Jesus, and wrote many books in the Bible. He suffered immensely but remained grateful to God.

You have a calling.

Abide with Jesus and be filled with the Holy Spirit. You are God's ambassador where you live, work, learn, and play. Your calling takes you out of your comfort zone. God gives you boldness to share the good news about Jesus.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Why is Paul in prison, and why is courage part of our calling? ([Ephesians 3:1](#))
2. What gifts, insights, and experiences has God given to you? ([Ephesians 3:2-5](#))
3. Who does God want you to serve with your time and energy? ([Ephesians 3:6-7](#))
4. How can you both serve and speak as an ambassador of Jesus? ([Ephesians 3:8-11](#))
5. What protects you from discouragement? ([Ephesians 3:12-13](#))
6. Who can you share this Scripture with during the upcoming week