

Series: For Everyone
Sermon: Equipping and Mobilization
Speaker: Pastor Jerry Gillis

Daily Readings

Monday: *Ephesians 3:1–6*
Tuesday: *Ephesians 3:7–9*
Wednesday: *Ephesians 1:19–21*
Thursday: *Ephesians 6:10–12*
Friday: *Ephesians 3:10–11*
Saturday: *John 17:20–23*

Discussion Questions

1. The message opened with the story of Sixto Rodriguez, a man who didn't realize how significant his impact was until years later. Where in your own life do you tend to underestimate your significance to God's mission?
2. Paul calls the gospel a "mystery" that was hidden but is now revealed through the Church (Eph. 3:6, 9). Why do you think God chose to reveal His plan gradually, culminating in Jew and Gentile united as one people in Christ? What does that say about how He works?
3. The Church was described as "untraceable": mobile, scattered, showing up everywhere rather than in one central place like the temple. How have you seen this play out practically, either in your own life or in the life of this church?
4. Ephesians 3:10 says the Church displays God's "manifold wisdom" to "rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms." That's a strange audience to think about. Does it change how you view ordinary, everyday faithfulness to know that unseen spiritual beings are watching how the Church lives out grace and unity?
5. Several examples were given: a parent changing diapers, an employee resisting office gossip, a student feeling insignificant online, a retired person praying. Each is a "small" faithfulness that's actually part of a cosmic story. Which of these examples (or a similar one) hits closest to home for you right now?
6. If your contribution to God's mission really is "bigger than you think," what's one specific place, home, work, neighborhood, or school, where you sense God might be inviting you to trust that this week, even if you can't yet see the outcome?

Action Step

1. Pick one relationship this week, at home, work, school, or your neighborhood, and intentionally show love, integrity, or grace that points to Jesus.
2. If you're not in a Community Group or Grow Group, take a step toward joining one this week. If you are, invite someone else in.
3. Ask God to show you where your "small" faithfulness this week is actually part of something bigger than you can see.