Marinating in God's Word: Ephesians 3:14-21

Today we're considering one of Paul's great passages describing the impact of life with Jesus.

For further reflection on your own or in a small group, consider these questions:

- Paul describes how two powerful dynamics in life can come together in Jesus: power (v. 16) and love (v. 17). What examples have you seen of power without love? Of love without power? Who has touched your life with well-joined love and power? What happened?
- In parts of this letter Paul describes who God is and what he's doing, and in parts he exhorts believers to respond in certain ways. But here Paul is describing his prayer for these new believers. What petitions does he offer (v. 16-19)? Which of those petitions would you most like to have answered for you? For what new believer do you pray? What do you pray?
- V. 18-19 describe our growth in Christ in several ways. How would you put these in your own words? What is some step of growth you've had as a disciple which you could not have had immediately when you first believed?
- Paul concludes in v. 20-21 by acclaiming God's glory, and wanting that glory to show yet more in the church. What do you think would show God's glory all the better in the church?

Next week we will focus on 1 Corinthians 6:9-11