Grace Group Discipleship Guide



"From God's Hand"

For the week of November 5 - 11, 2017

Main Thought:

God has a rich inheritance of strength and power in store for us. It is often most experienced in the midst of adversity when we really need Him. As we receive Him by faith, we will feel that strength working inside of us. God longs for us to comprehend the incredible magnitude of His love and grants that to those committed to walk in that love. The tangible release of His power and presence opens to us when we choose gratitude as our attitude and embrace a positive perspective rather than one that is negative.

Main Passages:

"I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." (Ephesians 3:16-21)

"Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations." (Psalm 100:3-5)

Reflection:

• When have you been able to tap into God's great reservoir of loving strength in a particularly difficult time? What difference has it made?

Application:

- What is one area where you battle to be positive and thankful, rather than pessimistic and negative?
- What is one thing you think you should practice most from today's discussion?

For prayer:

- Pray for the reservoir of God's incredible love and awesome power to forge specific breakthroughs in group members' lives.
- Pray for healing and a spiritual awakening in our church, state, and nation, particularly in light of the recent NYC terrorist attack.
- Pray by name for God to draw seeking friends and loved ones to Himself through you.

