



MESSAGE NOTES

THE LOOP

THE GIFT OF SERVICE

Oct 19, 2014 • Pastor Gregg Matte • Ephesians 3:1–13

▶ The right perspective precedes _____.

Ephesians 3:1, 7–8

- Paul sees himself as a prisoner of _____,
not _____!

Ephesians 2:4–5; 3:16–21, Colossians 1:9–12

- The right perspective means _____, not misery.
- Humble obedience creates _____, not burdens.
- God's _____ empowers our service.

Ephesians 3:7: Working – Greek “Energia” (Energy), Power – Greek “Dunamis” (Dynamite)

▶ The right perspective _____ the door to:

Psalms 37:11; Jeremiah 17:7; Colossians 1:10

- _____ and wisdom in Christ.

Ephesians 3:8 & 10

- Bold _____.

Ephesians 3:12

- _____ in Christ.
- _____ callings for us bear
_____ fruit for others.

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE

Previous: *Ephesians 1:17–19, Ephesians 2:4–5*

Current: *Ephesians 3:20–21*

“Now to Him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think according to the power that works in us—to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”

Ephesians 3:20–21

WEEK AT A GLANCE

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Visit HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer for details about the following opportunities and nearly 100 other ways you can serve His Kingdom.

HOMEBOUND CARE TEAM

Pastoral Care

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GROUP FITNESS INSTRUCTOR

Fitness & Recreation

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CUSTOMER CARE TEAM

CornerBooks

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FIRST FEST VOLUNTEERS

First Kids

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LORD'S SUPPER PREPARATION TEAM

Adult Enrichment

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FOOD PANTRY/CLOTHES CLOSET TEAM

Local Missions

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GIVING — WEEK ENDING OCT 12, 2014

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|---|---------------------|
| MISSION 1:8 Weekly Giving | \$411,994 |
| MISSION 1:8 Weekly Goal | \$609,890 |
| MISSION 1:8 Over/(Under) for October | \$139,033 |
| Other Designated Giving | \$63,719 |
| MISSION 1:8 YTD | \$61,157,459 |
| (Giving to MISSION 1:8 is from Mar 2013–Feb 2015) | |

ATTENDANCE OCT 12, 2014

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| Life Bible Study (all campuses) | 4,612 |
| Mission Bible Study | 323 |
| Total Bible Study | 4,935 |
| MidLink (The Loop) | 1,871 |

DECISIONS OCT 12, 2014

Baptized

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|------------------|------------------|
| Kora Brooks | Danielle Lee |
| Heidi Foster | Stephen Lee |
| Sophia Franklin | Joel Michaelson |
| Allison Hibbetts | Gabriela Tiguila |

For Baptism

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|----------------|-------------|
| Jesus Davila | Joann Lopez |
| Haywood Glover | Samuel Pyo |
| David Ladewig | Becca Speed |
| Jeff Lester | |

From Other Fellowships

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| Abbe Adams | Diane Lester |
| Lois Cunningham | Patrick Lopez |
| David Dueker | Jan Power |
| Vicki Dueker | David Rials |
| Anthony Froelich | Deborah Solice |
| Gary Henderson | Dalton Spivey |
| LeighAnn Henderson | Elizabeth Spivey |

Statement

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| Donna Logan | Garrett Speed |
| Patrick Pourreau | |

SYMPATHIES

- Doris Dyson in the loss of her husband, Jack Dyson. Wayne & Jacque (Staff) Killingsworth in the loss of her mother.
- Sonia Long in the loss of her husband, Roy Long.
- John (Staff) & Paige Bolin and Josh & Joy Harris (both Staff) in the loss of their grandmother, Kathryn Bolin; Grace Bolin, Timothy, and Josiah Harris in the loss of their great-grandmother.
- Sandra Jean Hunter in the death of her husband, Wayne Hunter from Ocala, Florida. (Our former HopeHouse Guests).

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