

# Sermon-based Small Groups

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1stPresDowntown

## Gospel

Ephesians 1:7-10

Week of October 22, 2023

### This week's scripture

<sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup> he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup> as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

**Scripture Reflection Questions:** Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:

- What do we learn about God (e.g., traits, personality, what matters, priorities) in this passage?
- What do we learn about people, and ourselves in particular, this week?

**Sermon Reflection Questions:** Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:

- Pastor McLane said that the Gospel is not a transaction but an encounter with the living God. How have you encountered the living God this past week?
- How do we proclaim the Gospel in ways that encourage others to encounter the living God?