



# Do Not Lose Heart!

EPHESIANS 3:14-21

## I. God is able to \_\_\_\_\_ you to experience His encouragement and hope. (vv. 14-19)

- A. God is able to strengthen you through His Spirit in your heart. (v. 16)
- B. God is able to strengthen you so that you will be rooted, grounded, and know the love of Christ. (v. 17)
- C. God is able to strengthen you so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. (v. 19)

*Strengthened through His Spirit,  
grounded in the love of Christ,  
filled with the fullness of God.*

## II. God is able to do \_\_\_\_\_ than we ask or even imagine. (vv. 20-21)

- A. God is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think. (v. 20)

*God is able to DO*

*God is able to do what we ASK*

*God is able to do what we ask or THINK*

*God is able to do ALL that we ask or think*

*God is able to do MORE than all we ask or think*

*God is able to do more ABUNDANTLY than all we ask or think*

*God is able to do FAR more abundantly than all that we ask or think*

- B. God continues to work according to the power that is already working within us. (v. 20)

- C. God works to His glory. (v. 21)

CHRIST  
OVER ALL

Do not lose heart!

\_\_\_\_\_ in God's sovereignty.

\_\_\_\_\_ your relationship with Christ.

Maintain an \_\_\_\_\_ perspective.



## SERMON DEVOTIONAL STUDY

1. What is causing you to lose heart most recently? What encouragement did you receive from this sermon?

2. Meditate on the following Psalms by reading them several times each, and record any insights they give you.

### PSALM 42

### PSALM 77

### PSALM 116

3. What hope do you now have after meditating on the Scriptures and hearing the sermon?

**CHRIST OVER ALL**

When I think of all this, I fall to my knees and pray to the Father, the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God. Ephesians 3:14-21 (NLT)

What Paul prays here is that God would make real what is true of believers *positionally* in Christ—he prays more for spiritual growth than for their physical or material needs. Put these verses on a card and display it in a prominent place you see every day. Pray it over and over for yourself, your family members, and for the church.

## COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week. Like to plan ahead a little more? Pick up a copy of The Source at a stand around campus or near the exits, or visit [www.ccbcfamily.org/events](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/events). They're your source for everything going on at Christ Chapel.

### "FOR BETTER, FOR WORSE" STARTS TODAY

We all know that marriage has its ups and downs, but it's another thing to experience it. That's why this month we're inviting married couples to join us for a class all about God's good plan through the highs and lows of marriage. The class starts today at 10:45 a.m. in the Oak Room. For more info, visit [www.ccbcfamily.org/events](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/events).

**THERE'S A BAPTISM CLASS TODAY.** If you recently made the decision to follow Jesus, we want to celebrate! Take the plunge and come to today's baptism class at 6:15 p.m. in the Link Conference Room. You'll learn why getting baptized is both awesome and an important step to take in your relationship with God, plus we'll help you get ready. Sign up now at [www.ccbcfamily.org/baptism](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/baptism).

### STICK AROUND FOR TODAY'S FAMILY BACKYARD.

Before the weekend ends, come spend some quality time with your Christ Chapel community! After the 5 O'Clock, we're kicking off July 4th festivities a few days early. Starting at 6:15 p.m. there will be hot dogs and ice cream up for grabs in the Great Room, plus train rides, face painting and a few other surprises.

### SIGN UP FOR "HOW PEOPLE CHANGE."

There's no way around it – life is messy. Thankfully, the truth of the gospel changes everything. Come spend the summer diving deep into the transformative truth of Jesus' work on the cross and how it targets our hearts, core desires and motivations. The class begins next Sunday, July 8 at 6:30 p.m. in Link Classroom North. You'll learn how true change comes about in yourself and how to help others pursue the same. Sign up at [www.ccbcfamily.org/events](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/events).

### WANT TO LEAD A CONNECT 2 SUMMER GROUP?

In case you missed it, this summer we're creating more community through small gatherings called Connect 2 Summer groups! These groups get together twice to do something fun—yep, it's that simple! We're doing another round of sign-ups next Sunday, July 8, so if you'd like to lead an activity this month, start thinking! Groups are being created around all kinds of activities from breakfast meet-ups and golf to play dates, art nights and more. Find details at [www.ccbcfamily.org/events](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/events).

**DID YOU KNOW CHRIST CHAPEL HAS A JOB BOARD?** If you have a passion for ministry and a love for Jesus, become a part of all that God is doing at Christ Chapel! Check [www.ccbcfamily.org/careers](http://www.ccbcfamily.org/careers) to see a list of current openings including Human Resources Assistant, Help Desk Manager and Front Office Ministry Assistant.

**MAKE IT FACEBOOK OFFICIAL.** From encouraging sermon clips and Coffee Talks to event info and looks behind the scenes, we're always posting something new on Facebook. Search "Christ Chapel Bible Church" to like and follow the page today!