

Now 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, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)

More

You want more. I can see that. You are not likely to ever become complacent. You are always likely to have some measure of dissatisfaction within you. You will never sit down to rest on your laurels. Yesterday's accomplishments are old news to you. You want to press on. You want to keep on moving forward. For you there are bigger hills to climb. There is more to be accomplished. Do I have a clear picture of what is at work in you? Do I understand your makeup? You made me. You have molded and shaped me. You understand me better than I understand myself. Nothing about me is hidden from you. **That's right.**

Do you think I want more for you? Yes, I am certain that you want more for me. I'm sure that there is much more that you want to do in me, for me and through me. I think the desire in me for more comes from you. **That's true. Do you think I am unhappy with you? Do you think that I am dissatisfied with your progress?** I think you are pointing out a danger to me. **What's that?** Since, I continually want more there is a danger that I might be unhappy and dissatisfied with myself. If I allow those kinds of thoughts to dwell in me, I am likely to become discouraged and depressed. If I am discouraged and depressed, I am not likely to be moving forward with you. Being discouraged and depressed will make it harder for your work in me, for me and through me to be accomplished. Being discouraged and depressed will also hamper the prayers I pray to you. Maybe, I should come back to your question. **That would be good.** I don't think you are dissatisfied or unhappy with me. **You're right. Your desire for more is pleasing to me.** You want me to hold on to you so you can lead me through life. You want me to keep praying to you. You want to hear and answer my prayers in ways that are beyond what I could ask for, think or even imagine. **That's right, I want to hear your prayers. I will answer your prayers. I will do in you, for you and through you far beyond what you could ever ask, think or even imagine. Will you keep on praying? Will you keep on asking for more?** Yes Lord, I will. **That will be very good.**

Lord, I will pray prayers filled with faith. I believe there is no prayer that is either too small or too large to pray. I believe that you will hear and answer all my prayers in ways far beyond what I could ask for, think, or even begin to imagine. Thank you for that. Amen

Prayer*Ask Or Imagine*

Now 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, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

NIV

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer*Ask Or Think*

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

ESV

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer*Ask Or Think*

Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen.

NLT

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer*Ask Or Think*

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

NKJV

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer*Ask Or Imagine*

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

NRSV

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer*Imagine Or Guess Or Request*

God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, his Spirit deeply and gently within us. Glory to God in the church! Glory to God in the Messiah, in Jesus! Glory down all the generations! Glory through all millennia! Oh, yes!

MSG

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer*Ask Or Think*

Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]— To Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. Amen (so be it).

AMP

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer*Ask Or Even Dream Of*

Now glory be to God, who by his mighty power at work within us is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of—infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes. May he be given glory forever and ever through endless ages because of his master plan of salvation for the Church through Jesus Christ.

TLB

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer*Ask Or Think*

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

NASB

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prayer*Ask Or Imagine*

With God's power working in us, God can do much, much more than anything we can ask or imagine. To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus for all time, forever and ever. Amen.

NCV

Ephesians 3:20-21

Ask Or Imagine

Day _____ Date _____

Prayer – Ephesians 3:20-21

In Context: *Read Ephesians 3*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God’s Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture:

(What prayer from your heart will you write?)

Lord, I will pray prayers filled with faith. I believe there is no prayer that is either too small or too large to pray. I believe that you will hear and answer all my prayers in ways far beyond what I could ask for, think, or even begin to imagine. Thank you for that. Amen

What It Means:

(What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

When have you thought a prayer was too small for you to pray?

When have you thought a prayer was too large for you to pray?

How has God answered your small or large prayers in ways that you could not have anticipated?

When have you been particularly aware of God’s power working in you to accomplish His plans and purposes?

How encouraging is it to know God will hear and answer prayers in ways beyond which you could ask or imagine?

When have you been especially glad that God answered a prayer in a way you could not have anticipated?

What prayers will you pray since you know God will answer them in ways beyond which you could imagine?

Living It Out:

(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Pray prayers of faith believing that God will hear and answer them in ways beyond which you could ask or imagine.

Seeing It Happen:

(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)

Have faith that God will answer your prayers in ways that are beyond what you could ask of even imagine.

Get Ready To Share:

(What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how God has answered your prayers beyond what you could imagine.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you have faith to believe that God can do more than you can ask or imagine in you, for you or through you.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Heavenly Father, do more than I can ask or imagine in me, for me and through me for your kingdom and glory.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Heavenly Father, what do you want to do beyond what I could ask for or imagine today?
