

## Part 2: More Than We Can Ask or Imagine

### INTRODUCTION – Present and Accounted for

Ephesians 2:10

### DINE IN – Loving God and Releasing the Flood Gates

Ephesians 3:14-21

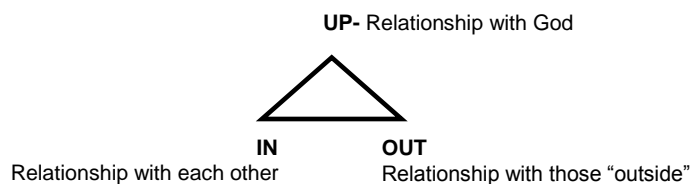
*God is able to do much more in us and through us – more than we can ask for or imagine as we pursue a passion for Him.*

#### A SIMPLE MODEL OF DISCIPLESHIP

1. How is your relationship with God, with your community and with those “outside” our church (see diagram below)? **Galatians 6:2; Hebrews 10:24**
2. Take the opportunity to speak life-giving words in order to strengthen, encourage and comfort one another. **1 Cor 14:3; 1 Thess 5:11**
3. Pray for one another in the confidence that God can do much more!  
**James 5:16**

#### UP, IN & OUT

Adapted from Mike Breen (weare3dm.com)



### In the Moment Application – I’ll have that to go please!

#### Intentional “Next Steps” Relationships

Write the names of two or three people that you could approach about meeting together in a “Next Step” cluster.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Take some time right now and send them a text message or approach them or call them right after listening to this message.

### CONCLUSION – Bringing Glory to God

Ephesians 3:20-21

#### My “More Than I Can Imagine” Prayer for this Year....

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#### HOME CHURCH QUESTIONS

##### Warming Up...

1. Have you ever been a part of a group or organization that accomplished a seemingly impossible vision or goal? What did you accomplish and why were you successful?

##### Look to the Book...

2. In **Ephesians 3:20-21** we see the Apostle Paul moving into an expression of praise and worship in light of God’s work in the world and in our lives. Take some time to read that passage together as well as **Ephesians 5:19-20**. A) How can singing worship songs together increase our passion for God? B) Why do you think Paul tells them to “speak to one another” even though the focus of our worship is God? Make a list of all of the reasons why worshipping together as a community is important? What would you say is personally more important to you – worship in community or worshipping God alone? What is easier for you? What tends to stir more passion?
3. Look again at **Ephesians 3:20-21**. A) If you invite God to move in dramatic ways in, through and around you and then you see God respond, what do you think you would feel? B) What are some of the reasons that people lower their expectations for what God can do in and through them? C) Read through the following scriptures -- **Galatians 6:2; 1 Thessalonians 5:11; Hebrews 10:24; James 5:16** – and discuss some tangible ways that our Home Church community could help one another nurture and grow our imaginations for how God can move in our lives and in our church.

##### So What?...

4. During the conclusion portion of our teaching this past week we had the opportunity to reflect on and write an “imagination stretching” prayer for this coming year. If you have not done so already, take some time to write a prayer that invites God to work in and through you in a way that seems almost impossible to imagine. Share your prayer with the group and spend some extended time praying with and for one another.
5. **Summer Splash question** -- What do you spend your money on in any given month? How could you designate a percentage to invest in serving others. Visit [themeetinghouse.ca/splash](http://themeetinghouse.ca/splash) to learn more.

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