

We Speak: Bold Words, Grateful Hearts, Gospel Lives April 13 2025 | Ephesians 6:19-20 Questions for Study and Group Discussion

After hearing the sermon, what's one thing that really resonated with you or challenged your thinking?

## 1. We are ambassadors of an eternal Kingdom.

Ephesians 6:20 - "...for which I am an ambassador in chains."

- What does it mean to be an ambassador for Christ in your everyday life?
- In what area of your life do you struggle to see yourself as a "sent" representative of Jesus?

# 2. The mystery of the Gospel revealed.

Paul calls it "the mystery of the Gospel."

- What is this mystery, and why is it so important that we share it?
- Why do you think the Gospel can still feel like a "mystery" to people—even in church?
- If you're being completely honest, is there someone in your life you struggle to believe could ever be reached by the Gospel?

Reflection: Read Colossians 1:26–27. How does this deepen your understanding of what's been revealed in Christ?

### 3. Boldness flows from gratitude, not guilt.

"Pray that I may declare it fearlessly..."

- Why is it so easy to boldly recommend a favorite coffee shop, barber, or mechanic—yet so hard to share the hope of the Gospel?
- Have you ever felt pressure or guilt to talk about Jesus? How did that affect you?
- Rank yourself on a scale of 1-10 on your boldness in declaring the Gospel.
- How can cultivating gratitude help you speak more boldly?

Application Question: What specific things about the Gospel are you most grateful for right now?

## 4. Even in chains, you're still called.

- What kind of "chains" (limitations, struggles, circumstances) do you feel in this season?
- How might God still be calling you to represent Him right in the middle of those?

Read: Philippians 1:12-14

How does Paul's perspective on suffering and imprisonment challenge the way we see our current struggles?

## 5. You are not "just" saved—you are sent.

- What are some lies we believe about "just being saved"
- What would it look like for you to live this week as someone sent by Jesus?

Action Step: Choose one person in your life who may be far from God. Pray for them daily this week, and ask God to give you one opportunity to speak or serve them intentionally.

#### 6. Reflection

- What would it look like for Brookside Church to truly live as a sent people?
- How could our community groups, families, and church gatherings reflect more of this "ambassador" mindset?

### 7. Simple Action Points:

- 1. Pray Paul's prayer from Ephesians 6:19–20 every morning this week:
- "God, give me words. Make me bold."
- 2. Write a note or message of encouragement to someone who is "in chains" (emotionally, relationally, physically), reminding them they're still called.
- 3. Start a gratitude list of what the Gospel has done for you—post it somewhere visible this week.