



## Ephesians 6:21-24

### Made for More - Nov 9, 2025

#### Message Recap

Paul closes his letter to the Ephesians not with more battle language, but with a blessing. After describing the armor of God and the realities of spiritual warfare, he finishes with *peace, love, faith, and grace*.

He highlights Tychicus, a man many have never heard of, but whose faithfulness carried the message forward. Paul's circumstances were difficult, but his purpose never stopped. And through Tychicus, we see that God often works through people who are faithful even when unseen.

Paul's final words remind us that the real victory isn't found in what we achieve, but in the spirit we keep through it all. When life feels restrictive or discouraging, God still calls us to carry encouragement, peace, and grace wherever we go.

#### Icebreaker / Personal Reflection

- **Icebreaker:**

Pastor Stephen mentioned how endings often stay with us. What's a book or movie where the ending really stuck with you - whether it moved you, surprised you, or even disappointed you?

- **Reflection:**

What part of this message resonated with you most?

#### Discussion Questions

- **Why do you think it's important that spiritual maturity is measured not just by how strongly we fight, but by how gently we finish? How can you balance both strength and tenderness in your own walk with Christ?**

- **Tychicus wasn't famous or highly visible, yet God used his obedience to help spread the gospel. In what ways can we serve faithfully behind the scenes — in our homes, jobs, or church, and trust that God sees what others might not?**

- **Can you think of a situation in your life where you've felt limited or "chained" but still had an opportunity to make a difference? What could it look like to "send strength" into that situation?**

- It's easy to look around and compare our circumstances to someone else's — especially when we feel like God is moving faster for them. When have you caught yourself feeling overlooked or skipped over by God? How can focusing on faithfulness instead of comparison bring peace in that moment?

- Paul said that true strength is keeping an incorruptible love — one that doesn't fade or sour under hardship. What does that kind of enduring love look like in daily life? How can we respond with grace when it would be easier to withdraw, criticize, or give up?

## **For Additional Study**

### **1 Samuel 16:6–13 – David Anointed as King**

David was chosen in the pasture, not the palace. God saw faithfulness before fame.

- What does this story reveal about how God defines significance?
- What “pasture” season might you be in now, and how can you stay faithful even when no one is watching?

### **Philippians 1:12–14 – Paul's Chains Advance the Gospel**

Even while imprisoned, Paul saw his limitation as an opportunity for God's message to spread.

- What would change in your perspective if you began viewing your limitations as platforms for God's purpose?
- This week, who can you intentionally encourage — as a modern-day “Tychicus” carrying hope and faith forward?