## **Sermon Discussion Questions**

Speaker: Dr. Stephen Burrell Topic: Ephesians Scripture: Ephesians 6:1-10

- Briefly summarize the main points of the sermon.
- What questions do you still have from today's sermon?
- Read Vv. Ephesians 6:1-4
  - What command does Paul give to children in verse 1, and what reason does he give for obeying their parents?
  - How does Paul connect obeying parents with honoring the Lord in verses 2-3?
  - What instructions does Paul give to fathers in verse 4, and why is provoking children to anger a concern?
  - How does honoring authority in the family reflect broader obedience to God? (See Colossians 3:20; Romans 13:1-2.)
  - How can consistent instruction and guidance help nurture spiritual growth in children and youth? (See Proverbs 22:6.)
- Read Vv. Ephesians 6:5-8
  - What instructions does Paul give to servants or workers regarding obedience to earthly masters in verse 5?
  - How does Paul link earthly work to service for Christ in verses 6-7?
  - What does Paul say about the motivation behind serving well and doing the will of God in verse 8?
  - How can work in any context be viewed as service to the Lord, not just service to humans? (See Colossians 3:23-24.)
  - What practical steps can people take to serve faithfully in their workplace or responsibilities, even when unobserved? (See 1 Corinthians 10:31.)
  - How does viewing our work as serving Christ transform the way we approach challenges and relationships at work? (See Proverbs 16:3.)
- Read Vv. Ephesians 6:9-10
  - What does Paul instruct masters to do in verse 9, and how does he connect their behavior with God's impartiality?
  - What warning or encouragement does Paul give regarding the treatment of others in verse 9?
  - How does Paul introduce the need for spiritual strength in verse 10, and why is it important to "be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power"?
  - How does recognizing God's impartiality shape the way we treat others in positions of authority or responsibility? (See James 2:1-9.)
  - How can believers draw strength from God when facing challenges, opposition, or unfair treatment? (See Philippians 4:13.)
  - What practical ways can communities and workplaces cultivate fairness, respect, and encouragement rooted in Christ's example? (See Matthew 7:12.)

