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When we remember the book as a letter, it seems kind of silly to read it one chunk at a time! We'll do the deep dive into each section during the series but for this week, we challenge you to sit down and just read the book in its entirety. Ephesians is only six chapters so if you can't manage the whole book in one day, just take one chapter per day! Think of it this way, wouldn't it be odd for you to just pick out a few sentences of a letter your friend sent you without looking at the rest? Or what if you only read one thread of an email or text conversation? Join us as we prepare for our study in the book of Ephesians by reading it as it was meant to be—a letter to a church.

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