

Scriptures for further study

Romans 1:8-10 | Philippians 1:3-4 | Ephesians 3:16

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Ephesians 1:15-23

"Paul's prayers reveal overlooked keys to living the extraordinary life in the Spirit that Jesus died to give each of us." -David Bordon & Rick Killian

- 1. Paul's letter to the Ephesians begins by describing how a person is changed when he or she enters in a relationship with Jesus. Spend a few minutes brainstorming together all the ways you are different in Christ. Create two lists one of who you were before Christ and a second list of who you are in Christ.
- 2. Focusing on verses 15-16, why does the apostle Paul give thanks to God for these Ephesian Christians?
- 3. What difference does it make to grow in our knowledge of God in our daily lives? How is your knowledge of God and His power different today than it was five years ago?
- 4. What did Paul mean by, "the eyes of your heart" (v. 18)? Why do our spiritual eyes need to be reopened occasionally?
- 5. How does knowing you are adopted by God change your view of yourself and of God? How do you feel about the quality of love of the One who has chosen you? How does this affect your love for others?
- 6. Which of the spiritual blessings in Christ from this passage do you have the hardest time believing is true for you? Why?

Bill Ketner: Praying for Myself and Others