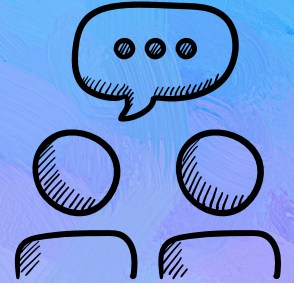




the book of Ephesians

Section 2

Ephesians 1.15-23



Key Verse

Ephesians 1.16 | I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.

Application Questions

- Who is someone that you find yourself constantly thanking God for?
- Compare and contrast your prayers for other people versus Paul's prayer for the Ephesians here. Are the differences good, bad, or neutral?
- How can we experience more of God's power in our life? What does that even look like?

Life Questions

- Anything we can pray for this week?
- Anyone hurting around you that we can pray for or love this week?

Potential Discussion Questions

- 15 | Paul had heard of two things that made him give thanks to God constantly for the Ephesians. What were those two things?
 - Do people thank God constantly for you for those same reasons?
- 17 | After thanking God for them, Paul asks God to do what for them?
- 18-19 | Paul gives the three goals of them having "wisdom and knowledge of God." What are they, and which is most important to you?
- 18 | What does, "Having the eyes of your hearts enlightened" mean?
- 18 | What is our inheritance?
- 19 | How do we see God's immeasurable power in our lives? Compare this to 2 Timothy 3.1-5. Do you feel like you experience the "immeasurable greatness of his power" or does God's working in your life seem not-so-powerful? Either way, why do you think that is? How can we experience more of God's power?
- 15-23 | How do you see the trinity in this passage?

Application Idea

What are the main points that Paul is praying for when he prays for the Ephesians?
Pick at least one person to pray a similar prayer for every day this week.