Discussion Questions

INTRODUCTION

What would happen if the church fully embraced the power of God while engaging the culture with the significance and beauty of Jesus?

GETTING STARTED

1. Share a time when you sat behind the wheel of a car, boat, or plane and felt the rush of its engine operating at full power. Who was with you? What were you feeling?

BIBLE IDEA

- 2. Read Ephesians 1:18-21. What does it mean to have "the eyes of your heart enlightened"? Is it possible for someone to believe in the Gospel but not be enlightened? Why or why not? What is the significance of Jesus sitting at the right hand of God?
- 3. Read Colossians 1:15-18. Reflect on each phrase of this passage. **Finish the following sentence**. "Knowing that Jesus is head over all things, gives me a tremendous sense of _____!" How could you practically live out the reality of this truth?
- 4. Read Ephesians 3:14-21. Define "your inner being". How does God promise to "strengthen your inner being" (vs. 18)? What does it mean "to know such love as it surpasses knowledge" (vs. 19)? What do you think is the **BIG IDEA** behind this prayer?
- 5. Read Ephesians 4:1-11. List the five principles we get to activate as we ground ourselves in the love of Jesus (vs. 2-3). Discuss the importance of unity within a church (vs. 3). Why does God give the church apostles, evangelists, prophets, pastors, and teachers (vs. 12-16)?

NEXT STEPS

6. **THIS WEEK:** How will you use your spiritual gifts? How will you grow in your faith? How will you fulfill God's plans & purposes? Be specific.