Eph 1:15-23 2/13/22 Paul is here expressing his thankfulness to God for the believers in Ephesus. He prays for their growth in knowledge as well as obedience to Christ who is over all. 1. _____ and ____ go hand and hand. 2. You can only _____ God by _____ enlightenment. 3. Your only _____ is in your _____ in Christ. NOTES:

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Group Questions

- Similar prayers found in <u>Eph 3:14-21</u> and <u>Col 1:9-12</u>
 - 1. What is a prayer you have been praying that you have not seen the answer to yet? What is a praise you have that was an answer to prayer in your life?
 - 2. How often are you thankful to God for fellow believers? Have you told a fellow believer this lately? How can you foster this?
 - 3. What in this passage taught you the most about prayer? What do you think is missing in your prayer life?
 - 4. What kinds of requests are brought up at most prayer meetings? How are Paul's petitions for the believers in Ephesus different?
 - 5. How is illumination different from inspiration? Why do we need divine illumination?
 - 6. What practical difference would it make if we understood our hope, inheritance, and power better?
 - 7. What do you find most difficult to believe in this passage? Why?
 - 8. What does this passage say about the exaltation of Jesus? How might/should living with this awareness affect our lives?
 - 9. How is Paul's view of the church different from the view taken by most Christians today? What would happen if we took a high view of the church?
 - 10. Will you commit to praying through this prayer this week?