



The Book of Ephesians- Session 2 Ephesians 1:15-23

Ice Breaker: Who is the strongest person that you know? What did they do?

Read the Passage: 15 This is why, since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, 16 I never stop giving thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. 17 I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, would give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him. 18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened so that you may know what is the hope of his calling, what is the wealth of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the mighty working of his strength.

GOD'S POWER IN CHRIST

20 He exercised this power in Christ by raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens — 21 far above every ruler and authority, power and dominion, and every title given, not only in this age but also in the one to come. 22 And he subjected everything under his feet and appointed him as head over everything for the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way. - Ephesians 1:15-23 (CSB)

Q1- J.D. summarized Paul's prayer in four parts. What four things did Paul want the Ephesians to see?

Q2- What specific actions have happened, or are happening—just in Ephesians 1:15–16? Can you put them in order?

Q3- What does Paul mean in Ephesians 1:17? How do we “know God”?

Q4 – How does Paul describe God's power?

Q5 - Is there one phrase that stands out for you in verses 20-23? What does that mean to you?

Make it REAL :

UP (Your relationship with God)- Think of that part of your life that needs a touch of God's power. Your attitude? Your health? Your struggle with temptation? Your relationships? How could God use His resurrection power to transform that?

IN (Your relationship with Christ-followers)- Do you know someone who is losing hope? What could you say to them, inspired by this passage, to open their eyes to God's love and power? Find a way to say that this week.

OUT (Your relationship with non-Christ-followers)- What is one story you can share with non-Christ-followers the hope you have in Christ?

Prayer - How can we pray so that we can live out this passage?