

# Praying for Enlightenment



Ephesians 1:15-23

## Paul knew how to pray..

- 1:3-14 We have all spiritual blessings..
- 1:15-23 We must grow in our understanding of our blessings if we are to use them..



# Praise for the Ephesians

- Eph 1:15-16 Therefore I also, after I heard of your **faith in the Lord Jesus** and your **love for all the saints**,<sup>16</sup> do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers..



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- In the knowledge of God..
  - <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the **spirit of wisdom and revelation** in the **knowledge of Him**..



# That they would be Enlightened..

- <sup>18</sup> the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is **the hope of His calling**, what are the riches of the **glory of His inheritance in the saints**, <sup>19</sup> and what is the **exceeding greatness of His power** toward us who believe,
  - The Hope of His Calling
  - His Inheritance in the Saints
  - His Power to Us who Believe



# God's Power in Action..

- In Christ..
  - He raised Him from the dead
  - Seated Him at His right hand
  - Gave him authority above all ..
  - Head over all things to the church



# God's power in us..

- In the church.. Head of the body
- Raised us to new life..
- Works in us who believe..
- Made perfect in weakness..



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