

Elgin Evangelical Free Church - October 23, 2022

A Prayer for Dynamic Christianity Ephesians 1:15-19

- I. A Dynamic Motivation 1:15-16
  - A. God's action toward the undeserving
  - B. Real salvation evidenced by faith & love
  - C. Continual prayer for deeper experience
- II. A Dynamic Experience 1:17-19
  - A. God Give them Wisdom to Utilize Salvation

B. God – Give them Knowledge of Salvation

C. God – Overwhelm them with Salvation

## Life Group Questions A Prayer for Dynamic Christianity: Ephesians1:15-19 October 23, 2022

Icebreaker: What has been one of the most encouraging times of prayer that you have experienced?

- 1. Read Luke 11:1. This is the only spiritual discipline that the disciples ask Jesus to teach them. What have you been taught about how to pray?
- 2. What are the things that prompt you personally to pray for other Christians? What prompts you family to pray for other Christians?
- 3. Read Ephesians 1:15-16. Paul prays for the Ephesians because of their faith in Jesus and love for the saints. Who comes to your mind when you think of their faith in Jesus and love of the Saints?

Who are the people that you pray for because of their faith and love?

4. Read verse 17. If God gave you a "spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him", how do you think it would affect your thinking and life?

5. Read verse 18-19. Paul prays for enlightened eyes in the heart of the Ephesian believers. His prayer is that the eyes of their heart will see:

What is the hope of His calling

What are the riches of the glory of His inheritance of the saints

What is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe.

Why do you think Paul prays for these requests for the Ephesian believers?

How do you think these requests will affect the life of the believers?

6. Why do you think we don't pray for one another like verses 18-19? Why don't we ask for prayer like this?

What new insight or application have you gained from this passage?