



**SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM
MADE FOR MORE: PASSIONATELY PURSUING GOD
THROUGH PRAYER: OCTOBER 2, 2016
PASSAGE: EPHESIANS 1:15-23**

Opening: Name some spiritual disciplines. Read Ephesians 1:15-23.

- A)** How did Pastor Kevin define spiritual disciplines?

- B)** What is the purpose of spiritual disciplines, and how does God use them?

- C)** Give some examples of when Jesus prayed?

- D)** Why do most feel least disciplined in the area of prayer?

- E)** Discuss when you have experienced consistency and passion in prayer?

- F)** What is the main reason we pray?

Pastor Kevin gave us four ways to pray from the prayer of Paul's in Ephesians 1:15 – 23:

1. Pray with Perseverance verses 15 – 16

- A)** Why does Paul pray? Read: verses 15 – 16 and then 1 – 14

- B)** What is the importance of having a plan to pray? Read Mark 1:35.
 - i) What is the importance of having a time?

 - ii) What is the importance of having a place?

 - iii) What is the importance of having a list to pray?

- C)** Share examples of answered prayer in your life?

2. Pray for Knowledge verses 17 – 18

A) What has God done for us? Read: verses 17-18

B) How did Pastor define knowledge?

C) What is our hope?

D) Why is it so important for us to pray with our Bible wide open?

3. Pray for Power verse 19 – 20

A) How big is God's power? Read: v.19-20

B) How can Paul say that the same power that raised Christ is available to believers?

C) Discuss a time in your life when you knew the power of Jesus Christ? How did this make you feel?

4. Pray for Glory v. 21 – 23

A) How is God's glory described? Read: verses 21-23

B) In your own words how would you define God's glory?

MEMORY VERSE:

Ephesians 1:22 – 23 “And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.”

Men/Women Accountability:

1. How do you daily experience the presence and power of Christ in your life?
2. Share how Jesus is working in your life?