



## **With the Master in Heavenly Places—Lesson 4—Paul’s Prayer for the Church at Ephesus—Ephesians 1:15-23**

1. Read Ephesians 1:15-23. (a) What do these verses tell you about Paul’s prayer life? (b) What do they tell you about God’s power? (c) What do they tell you about the needs in the life of a believer?
  
2. Memorize Ephesians 1:19.
  
3. (a) Paul mentions in verse 16 that He gives thanks for the church at Ephesus. What other churches does Paul give thanks for, according to Romans 1:8, 9; 1 Corinthians 1:4-6; Philippians 1:3, 4; Colossians 1:3, 4, 1 Thessalonians 1:2-4; 2 Thessalonians 1:3, 4; Philemon 1:4-6? Also, if it is mentioned in the text, what does he give thanks for regarding each of these churches? (b) What things are you thankful for regarding your own church?
  
4. (a) Paul prays for the church, in verse 17, that God would give them “the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him.” What does God’s wisdom look like, according to James 3:13-18? (b) How do these verses help you to know if the wisdom you possess comes from God or not?
  
5. (a) Paul tells us that Christ is the head over the church, which is His body, in Ephesians 1:22, 23. (b) Skim over 1 Corinthians chapter 12 and write down some things that should characterize the body of Christ. (c) Do these things characterize the body you worship with? Are you doing your part?
  
6. (a) As you reflect on Ephesians 1, verses 19-23, which pertain to the mighty power of God, what thoughts come to your mind regarding God’s power? (b) If we seriously contemplated the amazing power of God on a daily basis, how do you think it would affect our living?
  
7. Write a prayer for your church that includes petitions and praises.

