What Am I Doing Here? Part 4 Prayer and the Power of God Reference: Ephesians 1:15-23 Pastor Christopher Gray

Today we will look at some of the specific **things** Paul \_\_\_\_\_\_ **for** and the mighty \_\_\_\_\_\_ **of God's work through Jesus**, and as usual we will identify some principles and applications that we can apply to our lives.

Question:	What makes these Ephesians so special that
	Paul thanks God for them and prays for them?

Answer: Paul knew that they were a part of the family of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and that was enough for him to give unending thanks to God for them. Reference: Philippians 4:6-7 (see screen)

### Wisdom:

In the Bible, wisdom is often associated with \_\_\_\_\_ in and \_\_\_\_\_ of God. Reference: Proverbs 1:7 (see screen)

Essentially, wisdom is knowledge \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Revelation:**

standards, and His plan of salvation. Reference: **2 Timothy 3:16-17** (see screen)

# **Enlightenment:**

Enlightenment in the context of the Bible is **spiritual** \_\_\_\_\_\_, but from a simplistic perspective, it is having a \_\_\_\_\_\_ **outlook**.

The difference between rational and irrational thoughts is that one is based on \_\_\_\_\_\_ and the other on \_\_\_\_\_\_.

## The Hope of His Calling:

There is no reason to believe God's way is not going to happen based on the evidence; therefore, Christians need to know what the hope of His calling is.

References: **2 Timothy 1:9** (called according to His purpose); **Titus 2:13** (His appearing and eternal life); **Ephesians 1:18** (our inheritance); **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** (gathering together of all Christians for everlasting life) (see screen)

# The Exceeding Greatness of His (God's) Power:

God is \_\_\_\_\_, and that He alone is capable of doing all that He says He **has** done, **is** doing, and **will** do. **Power:** References: **1 Corinthians 6:14** (in the resurrection of Christ); **Colossians 1:16** (in creation) (see screen) **Authority:** References: **Psalm 110:1**; **118:16**; **Romans 8:34**; **Luke 4:36**; **Revelation 22:1** (see screen)

## Head of the Church:

Reference: **1 Peter 5:3-4** (see screen)

Principle One: Christians are worth your \_\_\_\_\_. We should be \_\_\_\_\_\_ that we have **God** and **each other**.

Application: The primary way to show biblical thankfulness is we

Reference: Colossians 4:2 (see screen)

Principle Two: God is \_\_\_\_\_\_. We should \_\_\_\_\_\_ God's power **and** \_\_\_\_\_\_ people about it. Reference: Matthew 28:19-20 (see screen)

Application: Tell people **who Jesus** \_\_\_\_\_ and **what He has** \_\_\_\_\_\_ for them and **what He is** \_\_\_\_\_\_ them.

"The Bridge - Gospel Presentation" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sCMpeLNEA30

You are called to be a new creation, so rejoice, be thankful, prayerful, and go tell someone about your God.