



Ephesians 3 (Part 2)

As in chapter 1, Paul is again praying for the Ephesians
Again, his prayer is not for basic needs but to know Jesus more
*We can't pray for each other too much

The first prayer was about enlightenment, the second is about enablement

Not so much just knowing about Jesus but knowing who you are in Jesus
-Jesus doesn't call us to go out on our own strength to serve him

ver 16

- strengthened by the Spirit in the inner being
- when you are saved you receive the Holy Spirit
- the Holy Spirit has dynamite power
- *that power is directed at us not others, it's meant to work internally on our lives
- *we need to let God give us peace internally

ver 17-18

- rooted and grounded in Jesus love
- when we know how much Jesus loves us it gives us a solid foundation to stand on
- *so many people in our world struggle with insecurity because they don't have a foundation of love
- I don't need to be so concerned with what others think of me because Jesus loves me
- *being yelled at at the forestry camp

Knowing Jesus more builds a foundation so that we can go out and serve

It is tough to put yourself out there to serve and tell others about Jesus

Small Group

- 1) Where do you struggle with standing up for Jesus?
- 2) What truth can help build you up against this struggle?