

**Series** Final Week

Passage Ephesians 1:15-23

Title Rise to Life

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**Discussion Starter:** Has this past week's message caused you to pause and think about what your life purpose is all about? How would you describe your life's purpose to someone? What are some of the things you feel God is impressing upon your heart to change?

### Purpose of Paul's Prayer (Ephesians 1:15-16; Mark 4:24)

- What motivated Paul to pray for these people? How does this compare and contrast to the prayers we often bring for others before God?
- What are some of the things we see Paul mentioning as he opens this prayer that speak to his character and heart for the Ephesians?

## Be Wise in Christ (Ephesians 1:17; Revelation 3:20-22)

- What is this wisdom that Paul prays for in Ephesians verse 17 and how do we apply this wisdom in our daily lives?
- What wisdom is revealed to us about the character and desire of Christ as we unpack the verses in Revelation 3:20-22?

# Know God's Calling on Our Lives (Ephesians 1:18a; Psalm 139:14-18)

- What do you think Jesus had in mind when He created you? What does Psalm 139:14-18 reveal about God's heart for us?
- How would you describe the purpose of God's calling on your life? What results should we see if we are following His call on our lives?

#### Knowing the Riches of His Inheritance (Ephesians 1:18b; Hebrews 1:2-3; Philippians 2:9-11)

- Based on Hebrews 1:2-3 and Philippians 2:9-11 what is revealed to us about Jesus' inheritance?
- According to Romans 8:16-17 what do we learn about our inheritance as Christians and how should that impact our lives?

# **Experiencing God's Power in Our Lives** (Ephesians 1:19-23)

• Explain in your own words the importance of us understanding the purpose of God's exceeding power in our lives? What is God's plan for us to experience this power in our lives?