HOPE AND ITS RELATED BLESSINGS



EPHESIANS 1:18-21

I. We need to pray for enlightened hearts to know the hope of our calling (Ephesians 1:18).



 What enlightenment will help us better know the hope of our calling?

 Why is it important that our hope is not separated from our calling?

II. Our hope is related to the glorious riches of His inheritance (Ephesians 1:18b).



Why must we see that it speaks of God's inheritance and not ours?

How precious are God's people to Him?

 How is your perspective changed when you see yourself as God's inheritance? III. Our hope is related to the incomparably great power in Christ (Ephesians 1:19).



 Why would an understanding of God's great power be needed in Ephesus? (Acts 19:17-20)

 Why is an understanding of God's great power needed in our lives? (II Corinthians 10:3-5) IV. The power within us is the same that raised Jesus from the dead (Ephesians 1:19-20).



 What does the power that raised Jesus have to do with our lives? (Romans 8:11)

 How do these promises affect your hope and your desire? (Philippians 3:10) V. Our hope is also related to the heavenly places where Christ is exalted (Ephesians 1:20-21).



 What does Jesus being in the heavenly realms have to do with us? (Ephesians 2:6)

 How does this amazing glory of Christ affect those who are seated with Him?

Call to Action: To meditate, pray and live so that we can be enlightened to hope.



- How diligently are you praying to be enlightened?
- How clearly do you see yourself as God's inheritance?
- What are we to do with His great power?
- How strong is your hope in your resurrection?
- How clearly do you envision heavenly realms?

-How can we help?