## Sermon Audio Input

Full Msg. Title: "Praying for Power"\*
Short Ver. Title: Prayer 11

Series Title\*: Prayer
Text: Eph 3:14-21

Key Words: Prayer

## Message Outline

# "Praying for Power"\*

Spiritual Reformation, Chapter 11

#### I.Receiving from Paul on Praying for Power (Sermon)

## 3 Requests Ultimately Leading to God's Glory

- A. That God Would Grant Christians to be Strengthened with Power
- B. That Christians May Be Able to Comprehend the Extent of Christ's Love
- C. That Christians May Be Transformed to Christlikeness

### **II.Receiving from Each Other on Prayer (Community Discussion)**

- A. What Is Paul Praying For?
- B. Why Should We Pray Like Paul?
- C. How Can We Make Sure Paul's Prayers Actually Impact our Praying?

## Examine the Scriptures (Be Berean!)

Eph 1-3; Mat 6:31-34; 7:7-11; 2 Cor 4:16-18; Eph 4:12-13

## Consider & Discuss (Be Transformed!)

- "How did you learn to pray? What have been the dominant influences in your prayer life?"
- "Summarise the...petitions of Paul's prayer in Ephesians 3:14-21"\*
- "What are the purposes of these ... petitions?"\*
- "To what extent have you incorporated ... these petitions (not necessarily in exactly the same words) into your praying?"\*
- "What are the two grounds for Paul's prayer, as Paul reports them?"\*
- What grounds or reasons lurk behind your prayers? How can you improve on these?"\*
- Community Group Discussion: "What steps can you take to make the glory of God the central concern of your life?"\*

#### Memory & Meditation Verse

"Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen." Eph 3:20-21

#### Community Life

- **This Sunday**: By participating in the discussion during the service, please encourage each other towards an individual and corporate prayer life that is all God intends it to be.
- **Looking Ahead:** Please pray for our next consideration, The Gospel for Loved Ones. We will seek to be equipped to effectively minister the Gospel to others that we might participate as God intends in His ultimate purposes.

### Next Sunday

Spiritual Reformation, Ch. 12, "Prayer for Ministry"\*; Romans 15:14-33

<sup>\*</sup>Titles, Discussion Questions and Outline Headings from D. A. Carson's Spiritual Reformation, Baker Book House, 1992.