

MASSIVE PRAYER, MASSIVE GOD

Ephesians 3:14-21 – Pastor Nick Thompson

I. Paul prays a massive prayer (vv. 16-19).

- A. He prays that the church might be strong in Christ (vv. 16-17a).
- B. He prays that the church might know the love of Christ (vv. 17b-19a).
- C. He prays that the church might be filled with Christ (v. 19b).

II. Paul prays to a massive God (vv. 14-15, 20-21).

- A. He prays from a knowledge of God's glory (vv. 14-15, 20).
- B. He prays for the promotion of God's glory (v. 21).

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

- 1. Does our physical posture in prayer matter? Why, or why not?
- 2. What does Paul pray for here? Where is his focus as He comes before God?
- 3. Why is a knowledge of Christ's love so important to the Christian life?
- 4. Why do we so often pray small prayers? What is the remedy for this?
- 5. What should be the goal of all of our praying?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

- 1. What does my prayer life say about my view of God?
- 2. When I pray for myself, my family, and fellow brothers and sisters in Christ do I tend to focus on the outer man or the inner man?
- 3. If I could summarize it in one sentence, what is the heart of all of my praying? Does this reflect Paul's heart?