

MONDAY NIGHT MEETING

EPHESIANS - ENLIGHTENING OF THE HEART

NOVEMBER 7, 2016

I. ESSENCE OF PRAYER- A BASIC REQUEST

A. Enlightening of the heart

1. Heart here is the essential person
2. Enlightening of the heart means change of perspective in the soul of a person
3. *That you might know* (see, perceive)

B. In order that this might be so, he asks God to give a Spirit

1. Of wisdom - ability to make good choices
2. Of revelation - understanding of that which cannot be known without God speaking

II. RESULT OF PRAYER - A SERIES OF INSIGHTS

A. Hope of His calling

1. Calling - God's effective work in bringing us to Himself
2. Hope - Confidence which comes from God's promise about the future

B. Glory of His inheritance

1. His inheritance - two interpretations
 - a. What the Lord receives in His saints
 - (1) Favored because of the construction

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- b. What the saints receive in the Lord

- (1) Favored because of context

- 2. Speaks of the overwhelming wonder of what God has in store in the future

C. Greatness of His power

- 1. Speaks first of the power of the resurrection
 - a. Word which is behind the word dynamic
 - b. Controlled and useful power as opposed to dynamite and its destructive power
 - c. We need to understand the quite unnatural factor in the resurrection