

# Teaching Outline

Series: God's Holy People  
*Power With Purpose*

**Text: Eph 1:15-23** <sup>15</sup> Ever since I first heard of your strong faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for God's people everywhere, <sup>16</sup> I have not stopped thanking God for you. I pray for you constantly, <sup>17</sup> asking God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you spiritual wisdom and insight so that you might grow in your knowledge of God.

**Knowledge = a deeper \_\_\_\_\_ with God.**

<sup>18</sup> I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called—his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance. <sup>19</sup> I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe him.

**God is like any parent who has high hopes for their children.**

<sup>19</sup> I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power <sup>20</sup> that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms. <sup>21</sup> Now he is far above any ruler or authority or power or leader or anything else—not only in this world but also in the world to come.

**God's Power = a pure power source, *unpolluted* by sin, or greed, or pride!**

Right Hand: place of honor, power, authority,  
\_\_\_\_\_ all others.

**The same power that raised Jesus from the grave is the same power that is \_\_\_\_\_ to us to carry out the will of God on this earth!!**

<sup>22</sup> God has put all things under the authority of Christ and has made him head over all things for the benefit of the church. <sup>23</sup> And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself.

**Fullness of Christ = God provides all the \_\_\_\_\_ His Church needs to sustain its fellowship of love.**

**We will become more like Christ and represent Him to the world ... *this is our inheritance*, and *this is our CALLING!***

\_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_!

**Main take away: We are living in the earthly realm with power that originates from the heavenly realm for the purpose of advancing the Kingdom of Jesus Christ.**

**Next Steps:**

- For further reflection: am I filled with the power of God and advancing the kingdom of God?

**Closing Song: Royalty, by Francesca Battistelli**