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## **RADICAL: A PASTOR PRAYS FOR HIS PEOPLE**

**Ephesians 1:15-23**

*Rocky Purvis, Senior Pastor*

*Ephesians 1:15-23 Ever since I first heard of your strong faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for God's people everywhere, I have not stopped thanking God for you. I pray for you constantly, 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. 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. 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 that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms. 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 has put all things under the authority of Christ and has made him head over all things for the benefit of the church. And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself.*

### **1. WHAT PAUL WAS THANKFUL FOR:**

- Their strong faith.
- Their love for God's people everywhere.

What are you doing that your Pastors can thank God for?

### **2. WHAT PAUL PRAYED FOR:**

- That they would grow in their knowledge of God.
- That they would understand the confident hope they have in God.
- That they experience the incredible greatness of God's power.