

IN CASE OF A POWER OUTAGE - #3

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I. Eph 1:15-23

- A. **Knowledge** - *epignosis* - **Coming to understand as true and valid; a personal recognition or acquaintance that necessitates a reaction**
- B. **Wisdom** - *sophia* - **Capacity** (aptitude, skill) to understand and act wisely
 - 1. **Wisdom is the answers or solutions; the “know how”**
- C. **Revelation** - *apokalypsis* - To uncover, disclose, make fully known. **Communication**
 - 1. **Revelation is God “telling” us or “showing” us something we didn’t know!**

II. Eph 1:18-19 - In the knowledge of HIM our eyes are enlightened

- A. **Eyes** - *ophthalmos* - Vision, Sight; The capacity to understand or come to perceive
- B. **Understanding** - *dianoia* - Deep thought; faculty of the mind, understanding and imagination
- C. **Enlightened** - *photizo* - To shine light, brighten up, bring to light, make known.
- D. **That you may know 3 things:**

1. **Hope of His calling**

- a) **Hope** - *elpis* - To look forward with confident expectation and anticipation.
- b) **Calling** - *klesis* - An invitation, summons
- c) **God is inviting us to show up with expectation and anticipation to experience what He has ahead for us.**
- d) **Jer 29:11** 11...thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.
- e) **Phil 3:13-14** 13..forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, 14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward **call** of God in Christ Jesus
- f) **We have two standing invitations:**
 - (1) **Enemy** - **To look back with guilt and regret and quit**
 - (2) **Jesus** - **To keep showing up and look forward with expectation & anticipation!**
 - (a) **Matt 22:14** 14 For many are called, but few are chosen.

g) **Summons** - Issued by a judge on behalf of a person making a claim for what they are legally entitled to.

(1) **Isa 41:21** 21 "Present your case," says the Lord. "Bring forth your strong reasons,"

(2) **Isa 43:26** 26 Put Me in remembrance; Let us contend together; State your case, that you may be acquitted.

(3) **1 John 2:1** 1 "...We have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ..."

APPLICATION:

- How can I increase my capacity (wisdom) in every area of my life?
- What areas of my life am I using my own wisdom instead of God's?
- How can I increase my communication (revelation) with Jesus?

DO YOU KNOW:

1. The Hope of His calling?

- Are you answering His invitation? Are you "showing up?"
- Do you have a case? Are you presenting your case?