Week of August 29th 2021 - Piscussion Questions for Ohana Groups We are Ohana I Praying the Power of Christ

Overview

We are Ohana! In Ephesians 1:15-23, Paul gives thanks to the Lord for the faith of God's people and prays that they may know the riches of God's glorious grace and be filled with the mighty power of Christ.

OHANA TIME!

Icebreaker: Who is the most famous athlete you have ever met? **Or** What is your favorite Olympic competition?

Ohana Time! Who is the strongest or fastest in your group? Organize a mini-Olympics with competitions and prizes (ex. who can hold their breath the longest, who can type the alphabet the quickest on the keyboard, theological spelling bee)

BIBLE: Read Ephesians 1:15-23

- 1. Summarize what Paul praying for the Ephesian Christians. Identify words or phrases in the passage that stand out to you.
- 2. Who in God's family are you thankful for? Who has been a source of blessing and encouragement to you recently?
- 3. How does the Spirit of wisdom and revelation help us to know God better and deeper?
- 4. What is one thing about God that you would like to know more about or a question you have about God?
- 5. According to verses 19-21, what kind of power is available to those who are in Christ? When a Christian plugs into God's energy source, what kind of power can be expected?
- 6. What kind of "authorities" or "powers" in our world today fall under the authority and kingship of Christ?

APPLICATION

- 1. Who is one person you can give thanks to God for and pray for this week on a daily basis? Like Paul in his letter, pray that they may filled with God's glorious grace and with every spiritual blessing in Christ.
- 2. God transforms the powerless into the powerful in Christ. God bestows upon us the same resurrection power he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him on the throne of heaven. How is God leading and directing you to use that power for His church and mission? Make a list of 5 ways that God is empowering you this season.

PRAYER

- 1. <u>Pray in groups of 2-3</u>: Pray Paul's prayer for one another for discernment, depth, power, and fullness in Christ.
- 2. <u>Pray in a large group</u>: Give honor and praise to Christ, who sits in the heavenly throne above all authority and is the head of the church.

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