

**PRAYER**

- Pray for each other in your group to receive the Spirit of wisdom and revelation and ask God to help you grow more in your relationship with Him.

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- Ask God to cleanse your mind from thoughts that do not agree with His Word as you read your Bible.

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- Pray for each other's personal concerns.

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**CONNECT**

- When you were a kid, what nickname or term of endearment did your relatives call you? Why did they call you with that name?

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- When you were new in school or work, who was the first person who became your friend? How did you two connect?

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**WORD**

**WHAT**

*What does the Bible say?*

<sup>17</sup>I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. <sup>18</sup>I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup>and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength . . .

**Ephesians 1:17-19**

It is God who gives us the ability to know Him. Our part in this process is simple—we need to ask Him. Here are some things we can ask from God to grow our relationship with Him.

• **Ask God’s help to know Him better.**

God can give us the wisdom and revelation through the Holy Spirit to know Him better. We only need to ask Him. Why is there a need for us to ask God’s help in knowing Him?

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• **Pray that the eyes of our hearts will be enlightened.**

With the many distractions we face daily (2 Corinthians 4:4), we need to have the eyes of our hearts opened so we will be more sensitive to discern and see the things of God. Name some things that may cloud the eyes of our hearts from understanding God.

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*Asking God for wisdom, understanding, and open hearts is the key to knowing Him better.*

**SO WHAT**

*What is the relevance of the Word to my life?*

- What benefit does knowing God more give? What character of God would you like to know more about?

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- What distractions occupy your thoughts right now? How does it affect the way you see God?

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**NOW WHAT**

*How do I apply the Word to my life?*

- What areas can you ask God for help today to know Him better?

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- What specific action steps can you take in response to the lesson?

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