

## Praying Like Life Depends On It

~ Eph 1:15-23

~ Four stages in the life of a believer

1. Lost in our sin and distant from God
2. Saved from God's wrath and justified by His grace
3. Understanding our salvation and our security
4. Experiencing the riches of our possessions

~ Paul begins his prayer with two items of thanks.

1. Your faith in the Lord Jesus – vs 15
2. Your love toward all the saints – vs 15

~ Then Paul prays that the saints will know four spiritual realities

1. That they might know God – vs 17
2. That they might know God's calling – vs 18
3. That they might know God's riches – vs 18
4. That they might know God's power – vs 19

~ Why did Paul pray that the saints would know God, and God's calling, and God's riches and God's power?