

## “Seeing His Rule” – Sermon Notes

April 14, 2024 – Ephesians 1:15-23 – series: The Faithful One

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“I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened to...”

- 1) Know the H\_\_\_\_\_ (v18) to which He has called us.  
  
(Romans 8:28)
- 2) Know the R\_\_\_\_\_ (v18) of His glorious inheritance.  
  
(Philippians 4:9)
- 3) Know his incomparably great P\_\_\_\_\_ (v19) for us who believe.
  - a. A\_\_\_\_\_ the promise. (1 Thessalonians 5:23, NASB)  
“Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”  
God wants us to be sanctified!
  - b. C\_\_\_\_\_ ourselves. (Romans 12:1)
  - c. L\_\_\_\_\_ in the Spirit; Christ in us (Galatians 2:20)

### Questions for reflection:

- Have you consecrated yourself to Him?
- Is there anything you're holding back from Him?

## Sunday Seconds: “Seeing His Rule” (for small group discussion or personal reflection)

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1. Pick one to answer: What does sunlight do for your eyes? ...your photos? ...your Saturdays?
2. 2 Corinthians 4:4 says a few helpful things about light. The “god of this age” has done what to unbelievers? In contrast, Christ is what to God? Describe what you think that means.
3. 2 Corinthians 4:5-6 says more. Paul and his fellow preachers display Jesus as one thing. Similarly, Jesus’ face “shines” what?
4. In Jesus’ own ministry, his face could have displayed God’s glory to people how? And how does his resurrected body/face display God’s glory now? Obviously, we are just conjecturing this, yet the scripture invites us to.
5. Paul tells the Ephesian churches that they can be enlightened (1:18) by the Spirit’s wisdom. What was the immediate goal for this at the end of v17? How do you think that will help them with the other things in this passage?
6. 1 Peter 2:9 shares a high calling for God’s people, all of them. How does this passage strike you?

➔ This week, collectively pray for your Jesus’ light to shine through you.