

Are you in awe of God?

Or...

Can you remember a time you truly were in awe of God?

“For this reason” - all that has been written in previous verses - “I _____ my knees.”

Paul is in awe of God!

Why should Paul or any of us be in awe of God?

- (1:3) he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing
- (1:4) he has loved us since before the foundation of the world
- (1:8) he has lavished his grace upon us
- (1:11,18) he has given us his glorious inheritance
- (2:1-10) he has snatched us from death into life
- (2:13) he has reconciled the nations
- (2:14-17) he has brought us peace and the opportunity to be his people
- (3:1-13) he has offered us the joy of being used by him to tell his story

What is it that is keeping us from being in awe of God?

If we understand just a portion of who God is then we will be in awe of what he can and will do in, through, and around us!

“that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have the strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the _____ and _____ and _____ and _____, and to know the love of Christ that _____ knowledge, that you may be _____ with all the fullness of God.” (3:17-19)

Once we begin to see who God is and find ourselves in awe of him, we will realize that he is able to do for his glory, through the church, more than we could ever ask.

“to him who is able to do _____ more _____ than all that we _____ or _____...” (3:20)

Notice the context, this is NOT a promise that God will do “far more abundantly” for me or for my glory.

What is the context? (3:10, 3:21)

What is it that you are not asking for?

What are we as a church asking God for?

1. 100 _____ by the end of 2008
2. A culture - creating _____ within the next 2 years

Are you willing to move ahead in faith and feel uncomfortable so God can do more through your life and through the life of our church than you or I could ever ask?