The Head of the Church - Jesus

PHIL WHITTAL / STAND ALONE SERMON

6th November 2022

- LIFE GROUP NOTES -

**Key Truth/Principle:** Jesus has been given to us as the head of the church

**Key Verse(s):** Ephesians 1

[**Video Link --> HERE**](https://youtu.be/Zmqyk85wz7I)

**KEY QUESTIONS**

1. **What struck you about the sermon on Sunday?**
2. **What Phil outlined ten points (see below). Which particularly encouraged you? Which provoked you?**
3. God gives the spirit of **wisdom**
4. God gives the **revelation** in the knowledge of **him**
5. God gives enlightenment to the eyes of your heart
6. Then you will know the hope to which he has called you
7. Then you will know your riches of glorious inheritance
8. All happens because of his mighty power
9. He works entered heaven on clouds, not earth, went with authority into heaven
10. All under his rule
11. GOD GAVE  JESUS TO THE CHURCH (HIS BODY)
12. The body is the fullness  of the head
13. **How does your view of the church need to be ‘lifted’ to see what God sees?**

Note how Paul has his spiritual eyes fixed on the day of Jesus Christ, on his return. Take some time to praise God for this sure and certain hope that Paul had and that we can have.

**\*\* TOP TIPS \*\***

**Making the most of your time together**

**Remember people are indwelt with the spirit – expect them to have something to bring – most just need permission and clarity, and yearn for depth.**

* **WELCOME:** Have fun, involve everyone, keep it moving
* **WORSHIP:** Deliberately LEAD people into stepping out – most people appreciate specific guidance and feel released to know how to participate (e.g. let’s read a Psalm together and use the words to help us worship, let’s listen to this song, let’s sing now, let’s have a time of prophecy and hearing from God, if you feel you want to start a song please do). Encourage gifts!
* **PRAYER:** Weave into all you do, respond to things as they come up and help people by being specific (e.g. let’s all go round and pray shorts prayers thanking God for a particular characteristic
* **WORD**: Some folks would not have been there on Sunday – don’t; worry too much about recapping, just dive into questions. Splitting people into pairs/small groups with specific question and a time frame usually brings out the best discussion and involvement of everyone.