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PRAYERS

• *OF THE BIBLE* •

***Paul's Prayer About
Knowing God & His Power***

Ephesians 1:15-23

God's abundant blessings to the saints ...

**v. 3 Blessed with every spiritual blessing
in heavenly places**

v. 4a Chosen by God to be His in Christ

v. 4b Holy (set apart) unto God

v. 5 Predestined unto adoption as sons

v. 6 Accepted in the Beloved

God's abundant blessings to the saints ...

v. 7 Redeemed and forgiven through the blood of Jesus

v. 8 At the center of God's all-wise plan

vv. 9-10 Given knowledge of the mystery of God's will

v. 11 Made heirs together with Christ

God's abundant blessings to the saints ...

**v. 12 Glorifying to God simply on
account of having believed**

**v. 13 Sealed with the Holy Spirit of
promise**

v. 14 Assured of future glorification

The three-fold progression of Paul's intercession ...

1. Prayer for ENLIGHTENMENT

1 Corinthians 13:12

**“For now we see through a glass, darkly;
but then face to face: now I know in part;
but then shall I know even as
also I am known.”**

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- 1. Prayer for enlightenment**
- 2. Prayer for enlightenment that leads to ENCOURAGEMENT**

Causes for Encouragement ...

A. The Hope of His Calling

B. The Riches of His Inheritance

(1) We are *God's* inheritance—His personal possession.

Titus 2:14

“Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.”

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1 Peter 2:9

“But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.”

(2) We are those who are destined to inherit all the riches of Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:9

“But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.”

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Colossians 3:2-4

“Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.”

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