

That You May Know Him Better

Ephesians 1:15-23

Key Verse: 1:17

“I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.”

1. How is “For this reason” related to the previous passage? (13-14) For what was Paul thankful regarding the Gentile believers? (15) Why are these essential in our Christian life? (1 Cor 13:13) What can we learn from Paul who did not “stop” giving thanks for them? (16)
2. Read verse 17. How does Paul refer to God? (17a) What was his primary prayer topic for the Gentile believers? (17b) What is the significance of knowing God? (Jn 17:3) Why is it important to grow in the knowledge of God? (2 Pe 1:8) In order to know God, what do we need? (1 Cor 2:6-16)
3. Read verses 18-19a. What things did Paul want the Gentile believers to know? What is the hope to which God has called us? (Ro 8:29; 1 Jn 3:2) How did Paul describe God’s inheritance? (1 Pe 1:4; Rev 21:1-4; 22:1-5)
4. In what ways were God’s power revealed through Christ? (19b-20) How did Christ’s resurrection reveal God’s great power? (Ac 2:24; Ro 6:9-10; 1 Cor 15:55-57) What does it mean that God seated Christ at his right hand? (Ac 2:33-36; Php 2:9-11)
5. What is the extent and scope of God’s power in time and space? (21-23) How does this power continue to be exerted through Christ? What do you learn about Jesus who is the head of the church, and who fills everything in every way?