



## THE BLESSING OF BEING IN CHRIST: PART 2

**‘In Christ’  
: Lessons from Ephesians**

## THANKS AND PRAYER

- True Thanksgiving (v. 15 – 16a)
- Real Intercession (v. 16b)

## A PRAYER FOR INSIGHT

- God's Provision (v. 17)
- Our Enlightenment (v. 18a)

## THAT WE MIGHT KNOW (V. 18)

- Hope (v 18b)
- Inheritance (v. 18c)

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*“That God should set such high value on a community of sinners, rescued from perdition and still bearing too many traces of their former state, might well seem incredible were it not made clear that he sees them in Christ, as from the beginning he chose them in Christ.... God’s estimate of the people of Christ, united to him by faith and partakers of his resurrection life, is inevitably consistent with his estimate of Christ. Paul prays here that his readers may appreciate the value which God places on them, his plan to accomplish his eternal purpose through them as the first fruits of the reconciled universe of the future, in order that their lives may be in keeping with this high calling and that they may accept in grateful humility the grace and glory thus lavished on them.”*

## THAT WE MIGHT KNOW (V. 19)

- Power (v. 19a)

## THIS POWER WORKED OUT (V. 19-23)

- Worked out above (v. 19-22)
- Worked out below (v. 22c, 23)