

## **Ephesians 1:15-23**

### **Paul's Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

- I. Prayer of Thanksgiving (vv. 15-16)
  - A. For their faith in the Lord Jesus
  - B. For their love for all the saints
- II. Prayer of intercession (vv. 17-23)
  - A. For the knowledge of God (v. 17c)
    - 1. Through the Spirit of wisdom (v. 17b)
    - 2. Through the Spirit of revelation (v. 17b)
  - B. For enlightened understanding (v. 18a)
    - 1. Concerning the hope of his calling (v. 18b)
    - 2. Concerning the riches of the glory of his inheritance (v. 18c)
    - 3. Concerning the greatness of his power (v. 19a)
      - a) The focus of his power (v. 19a)
      - b) The demonstration of his power (vv. 19b-21)
        - (1) The resurrection of Christ (v. 19b-20b)
        - (2) The exaltation of Christ (v. 20c)
          - (a) Above all authorities (v. 21a)
          - (b) Above every name (v. 21b)
            - (i) In this age
            - (ii) In the age to come
      - c) The position of his power (v. 22a)
      - d) The purpose of his power (vv. 22b-23)
        - (1) To build his church
        - (2) To fill his church