

## **Ephesians 1 Realizing All We Have in Christ**

*John 17:15-21 “I’m not asking you to take them out of the world, but to keep them safe from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to this world any more than I do. <sup>17</sup>Make them holy by your truth; teach them your word, which is truth. <sup>18</sup>Just as you sent me into the world, I am sending them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And I give myself as a holy sacrifice for them so they can be made holy by your truth.*

*<sup>20</sup>“I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. <sup>21</sup>I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me.”*

*Acts 2 “Peter replied, “Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>This promise is to you, to your children, and to those far away—all who have been called by the Lord our God.” <sup>40</sup>Then Peter continued preaching for a long time, strongly urging all his listeners, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation!” <sup>41</sup>Those who believed what Peter said were baptized and added to the church that day—about 3,000 in all. <sup>42</sup>All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord’s Supper), and to prayer. <sup>43</sup>A deep sense of awe came over them all, and the apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders. <sup>44</sup>And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had. <sup>45</sup>They sold their property and possessions and shared the money with those in need. <sup>46</sup>They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord’s Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity—<sup>47</sup>all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved.”*

*Ephesians 1:15-23 ESV “For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup>that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup>having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might<sup>20</sup> that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup>And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.”*

### **God wants us to grow in our realization of three key treasures we have in Christ:**

#### **The hope of His calling**

*1Corinthians 1:26 NIV “Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth.”*

#### **The riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints**

#### **The greatness of His power toward us**