

Renewing Our Vision for 2021
“Praying for Depth in Understanding”
Ephesians 1:18-23

Summary of God’s Work for Us

The Father	Eph. 1:3-6
The Son, His Beloved, Jesus Christ	Eph. 1:7-12
The Holy Spirit	Eph. 1:13-14

The Evidence of God’s Work in Us

Faith in Jesus	Eph.1:15
Love for All the Saints	Eph. 1:15

Going Deeper with Jesus - Paul’s Prayer

- **Knowing God’s Aspirations for Us** Eph. 1:18
Representing Him in this life
Being like Jesus in Doing His Redemptive Work
- **Knowing God’s Desire to Know Us** Eph. 1:18
God’s desire for relationship with us as His children
A oneness with us like He has with Jesus (John 17:17-26)
- **Today: Knowing God’s Power within Us** Eph. 1:19

Meaningful Relationships Go Deep

We get to know what a friend wants most in life
We get to know what makes them happy and gives them joy
We understand their role in the world we know
God Is Our Father, Jesus is Our Brother, the Spirit lives in Us
Our Relationship with the Triune God Needs to Grow!

A Meaningful Relationship Must Grow Deeper!

Knowing the Real Jesus

1. God’s power has established Jesus at His right hand to rule over everything seen and unseen forever.
(Eph. 1:20-21)

Psalm 2 and Isaiah 11:1-10

Jesus is More than a Religious Belief!

2. God’s power has established Jesus as the Head of the church, the Body of Christ, where God’s children are nurtured to growth. (Eph. 1:22-23)

John 6:39-40 *“And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that of everything that He has given Me I will lose nothing, ... that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, ...*

See John 15:1-8 and John 17:17-26

The Family of God is Where Jesus Presently Rules!

Growing as Children of God

- **Knowing God’s hope for us and desire to know us so well that we think about how we are living and talk to Him about it all the time.**
- **Knowing that regardless of what we see and experience in life, God’s will for us is secured by the power of God working for us and in us. (Philippians 4:13)**

***“I can do all things through
Christ who strengthens me!***