

Renewing Our Vision for 2021  
“Praying for Christians” Part 2  
Ephesians 1:18-23

**Mother’s Day! An Opportunity**

*We are the product of both the good and the bad we have experienced from the day we are born. Our mothers gave us life, the opportunity to learn, grow, and become children of God. Mothers need expressions of gratitude, forgiveness and encouragement. We can give back love, grace and life!*

**Paul’s Prayer for Christian Needs:**

*“I pray God.... may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the true knowledge of Him, that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know....*

**“Three Truths We Need to Grow”**

**We Need Eyes and Hearts to See... (Eph 1:18-22)**

**1. What is the hope of His (God’s) calling... (Eph. 1:18)**

**We need Deeper Understanding of  
God’s Aspirations for Us!**

*“God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.” Hebrews 1:1-2*

**Jesus’s Life is Our Inspiration:**

He Was Life Giving: He exemplified commitment to healing, helping, protecting, nurturing and teaching every human being He met.

He Was Righteous: He exemplified what it means to do what is right and best for everyone willing to come to Him.

He Was a Teacher : He wanted everyone to know the Heart of God, as a Father, and how to make Him proud in life.

**2. What is the riches of the glory of His (God’s) inheritance in the saints... (Eph. 1:18)**

**We need Deeper Understanding of  
How Valuable We Are to God!**

*“So, whoever will humble himself like this child, he is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. “See that you do not look down on one of these little ones; for I say to you that their angels in heaven continually see the face of My Father who is in heaven.” Mat 18:4,10*

**We Are Special and of Eternal Value God as a Father!**

**3. What is the boundless greatness of His (God’s) power toward us who believe. (Eph. 1:19)**

**We Need Deeper Understanding of  
How Much God Has Already Invested in Us!**

**Deep Understanding Helps Us with Priorities**

- The more deeply I understand God’s love and aspirations for me, the more motivated I will be to make Him proud.
- The more deeply I understand how much God wants to share life with me, the more I will appreciate how prayer and learning from Him will make Him happy.
- The more deeply I understand God’s power invested to help me, the more confidence I will have to live a life of purpose empowered by Him.