

# Uniting

ALL THINGS  
IN CHRIST

an Ephesians study

HUB GROUP NOTES | MAY 9, 2021  
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## THAT WE WOULD EXPERIENCE GOD (Ephesians 1:15-23)

1) From your own experience, create a “timeline” for the Christian life.

In your opinion, what are the most significant thresholds in the Christian life? When did some of these thresholds occur in your own life and why at that time?

**Read Ephesians 1:15-23**

2) In this section, there is an emphasis on “knowing” and knowledge. What “type” of knowledge is Paul praying for?

The Greek word translated knowledge, *epi-gnosis*, isn't referring to academic/abstract knowledge of God, but full, experiential, intimate knowledge of God. To know God means experiencing Him and trusting Him. Knowledge of God is knowledge of Christ and allowing the Spirit to conform us to the likeness of Christ. Paul wants us to go from surface knowledge to great intimacy with God.

3) What do you think about the three areas that Paul wants them to have more experiential knowledge of? Why do you think Paul emphasizes these three areas?

- What is the hope of our calling
- What is the wealth of his glorious inheritance in the saints
- What is the incredible greatness of His power for us who believe according to the powerful working of His mighty strength.

**4) In verses 19-23, Paul focuses on Christ's power, authority and dominion. We often focus on the humility and tender love of Christ - why is it equally important to emphasize His power, authority and dominion?**

Paul wants them to understand the extraordinary magnitude of God's power that has been manifested to them and is available to them. Their salvation is no ordinary work of God, but an astonishing exhibition of power.

**5) If someone was watching your life and you asked them, "From your observation, what is keeping me from "knowing" (experiencing) the hope of my calling, the wealth of his glorious inheritance in the saints and the incredible greatness of His power?" What do you think that person would say?**

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2021 BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER REQUESTS:

Father, pour out your Spirit on us and move us forward together.

Father, please retire the Worship Center mortgage by 2025.

Father, please use us to build a reproducing church among an unreached people - the Nyamwezi - by 2030.