

PRAYER IS A CONVERSATION!!

Ephesians 1:15 Ever since I first heard of your strong faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for God's people everywhere,

Ephesians 1:16 I have not stopped thanking God for you. I pray for you constantly,

Ephesians 1:17 asking God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you spiritual wisdom and insight so that you might grow in your knowledge of God.

Ephesians 1:18 I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called—his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance.

Ephesians 1:19 I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power

Ephesians 1:20 that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms.

Ephesians 1:21 Now he is far above any ruler or authority or power or leader or anything else—not only in this world but also in the world to come.

Ephesians 1:22 God has put all things under the authority of Christ and has made him head over all things for the benefit of the church.

Ephesians 1:23 And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself.

INTRODUCTION

A COUPLE WEEKS AGO WE OPENED UP WITH AN OVERVIEW OF THIS PASSAGE.

- 1. SPIRITUAL WISDOM AND INSIGHT PRODUCES GROWTH IN KNOWLEDGE OF GOD**
- 2. WHEN WE ARE FLOODED WITH LIGHT WE UNDERSTAND THE HOPE OF OUR PURPOSE**
- 3. SAME HS THAT LIVES IN US RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD AND SEATED HIM IN THE HEAVENLY REALM.**

4. WE ALSO ARE SEATED IN HEAVENLY PLACES- ROSA PARKS
1. THIS BEGAN AS A CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE GODHEAD

Genesis 1:26 Then God said, "Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us. They will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground."

Genesis 1:27 So God created human beings in his own image.

*In the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.*

WE WERE HIS ORIGINAL PLAN

ACAM SINNED BUT GOD REMAINED DETERMINED TO MAKE US HIS OWN

2. CONTINUED AS A CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE FATHER AND SON

John 8:28 So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man on the cross, then you will understand that I am he. I do nothing on my own but say only what the Father taught me.

John 8:29 And the one who sent me is with me—he has not deserted me. For I always do what pleases him."

COMPLETE OBEDIENCE GAVE US A CHANCE

3. RESULTED IN A CONVERSATION BETWEEN PAUL AND GOD

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CONSTANT THANKS

CONSTANT PRAYER

4. CONCLUDES WITH A CONVERSATION BETWEEN US AND GOD

Philippians 4:6 Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done.

Philippians 4:7 Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

TOTAL TRUST

TOTAL PEACE