

Ephesians 1:15-23^v

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 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 age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

^v About Ephesians 1:15-23

Today's reading is a prayer of thanksgiving. Paul shows by example the importance of making requests of God in prayer—that the baptized may cooperate with God in the working out of God's plan. Paul prays that his readers may be enlightened to understand the surety of their hope, the privileges and responsibilities of their inheritance, and the dimensions of God's power available to them through the resurrection and ascension of Jesus.