

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 2/1/09

SERIES: BENEFITS OF SALVATION

BIBLE PASSAGE: [Ephesians 1:15-23](#)

TITLE: “BELIEVER, DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU HAVE?”

INTRO:

1. Have you been reading, meditating, and studying?
2. _____ great prayers in Ephesians: [Ephesians 1:15-23, \(To Know\)](#) & [Ephesians 3:13-21, \(To Be\)](#)...
3. Believers are _____ into RICHNESS when they trust Christ.

PROPOSITION: Are you a believer? If so, I challenge you to know and experience the benefits of your salvation.

- I. PAUL’S COMMENDATION, *Ephesians 1:15*.
 - A. A Testimony Of Faith.
 - B. A Testimony Of Love.
- II. PAUL’S SUPPLICATION, *Ephesians 1:16-23*.
 - A. The _____ Paul Prayed, *verses 15, 16*,
cf. [Philippians 3:17-19](#).
 - B. The _____ In Which Paul Prayed, *verse 16*,
cf. [Luke 22:31, 32](#).
 - C. The Requests Paul Made For The Ephesian Church,
verses 17-23.

1. That God would give them spiritual understanding, *verses 17-18a*.
 - a. Spiritual _____ must be spiritually discerned.
 - b. Trustworthy enlightenment comes exclusively from the Holy Spirit.
 - c. From the Holy Spirit to the _____ of the believer, cf. [James 3:13-18](#).

2. That they might know and experience the _____ of God's calling, *verse 18b*.
 - a. The call is from God/_____ calling.
 - b. The call is to God/Holy calling.
 - c. The call is for God's glory/Heavenly calling.

3. That they might know and experience the _____ of God's inheritance, *verse 18c*.
 - a. The provision/riches.
 - b. The purpose/glory, cf. [Revelation 22:12-14](#).
 - c. The recipients/saints.

4. That they might know and experience God's mighty _____ in Christ, *verses 19-23*.
 - a. His power in salvation, *verse 19*, cf. [Matthew 26: 40, 41 & Ephesians 6:11, 12](#).
 - b. His power in resurrection, *verse 20*, cf. [Acts 2:25-33](#).
 - c. His power in _____ order, *verses 21-23*, cf. [Colossians 1:15-20](#).

CONCLUSION:

1. Appreciate Paul's prayer on behalf of all believers!
2. Know God through Christ/salvation.
3. Know and experience the riches offered to believers!