

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.  
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SERMON OUTLINE 4/5/09

SERIES: BENEFITS OF SALVATION

BIBLE PASSAGE: [Ephesians 3:13-21](#)

TITLE: “AGAIN ON HIS KNEES, PART II”

INTRO:

1. This passage is pivotal to our understanding and application of the book of Ephesians/understand the doctrine-[Ephesians 1-3](#); implement the duties-[Ephesians 4-6](#).
2. Last week we focused on the prayer emphasis of this passage...
3. Paul prayed for the \_\_\_\_\_ of God to rest on believers lives. Each step of spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ should lead to another.
4. The ultimate goal of Paul’s prayer; that believer’s lives would glorify God.

PROPOSITION: Pray for one another and plug into the POWER.

- I. THE RESOURCE OF PAUL’S PRAYER, [Ephesians 1:7/3:16](#), “Riches of His grace/riches of His glory.”
  - A. The Believer’s Appreciation Of Riches, cf. [Romans 8:12-17](#).
  - B. The Believer’s Appropriation Of Riches.
- II. THE REALIZATION OF CHRISTIAN GROWTH AND MATURITY, [Ephesians 3:16](#). \*Five progressive steps.
  - A. Inner Strength/Growth Of The New Nature.

1. What is the inner man?
  2. Why is there a battle? Cf. [II Corinthians 4:7-11, 16-18](#).
  3. Does “it” become easier in time?
- B. Inner Strength/Strengthened With Might Through His Spirit.
1. The \_\_\_\_\_ for inner strength, cf. [Romans 7:13-25](#).
  2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of inner strength, cf. [Romans 8:5-10](#).
  3. The simplicity of inner strength.
    - a. Be controlled by the Spirit, [Galatians 5:16](#) & [Ephesians 5:18](#).
    - b. Be conscious of the Spirit, cf. [Colossians 3:15-17](#) & [Psalms 119:9-11](#).
  4. The \_\_\_\_\_ of inner strength.
    - a. “I’ll say yes Lord, yes...”
    - b. Increasing strength/decreasing defeat...watch for \_\_\_\_\_.
  5. An example of inner strength.
    - a. [Acts 20:18-27](#) (Speech to Ephesian elders).
    - b. [II Corinthians 11:23-28](#), (points of persecution).
    - c. [Philippians 1:18-26](#), (measurable commitment).

### CONCLUSION:

1. How’s your inner man/new nature?
2. Is God satisfied with your yieldedness/effort to grow?