

Living In Revelation
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Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers: **(Ephesians 1:15, 16 NKJV)**

We need to continually pray to the Father of Glory for the saints. Paul was in prison in Rome when He wrote this, letter to the Ephesians. He heard of their faith and love and was encouraged. God will reveal the Spirit of Revelation to us to the degree that we ask Him.

Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. Or what man is there among you who, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him! **(Matthew 7:7-11 NKJV)**

You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask. **(James 4:2 NKJV)**

Paul did not cease to make mention of the Ephesian believers in prayer.

Which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, **(Ephesians 1:8 NKJV)**

Prudence means "understanding." This describes the grace and glory that God lavishes upon His people.

Just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, **(Ephesians 1:4, 5 NKJV)**

Paul continued in prayer that the saints would experience more of this predetermined plan which reveals God's longing and commitment to lavish His grace on us.

Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledges of Him, **(Ephesians 1:15, 17 NKJV)**

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You have made him a little lower than the angels; You have crowned him with glory and honor, And set him over the works of Your hands. For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. **(Hebrews 2:7, 10 NKJV)**

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God's plan was always to bring us into His glory. He planned to bring the heavenly realm together with the earthly realm that we might experience His glory in fullness forever.

For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, **I Timothy 2:5-6 NKJV**

Having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him. **(Ephesians 1:9, 10 NKJV)**

The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power **(Ephesians 1:18, 19 NKJV)**

The Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation in the knowledge of God. The unaided mind cannot receive revelation because it is living, understanding from the Spirit.

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. **(I Corinthians 2:12-14 NKJV)**

Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. **(Matthew 16:17 NKJV)**

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Remember the Word "know"

And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. **(John 17:3 NKJV)**

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life. **(I John 5:20 NKJV)**

That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, **(Philippians 3:10 NKJV)**

For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; **(Colossians 1:9, 10 NKJV)**