

# Ephesians Bible Study Lesson Two

## Directions

You will need a study group for this Bible Study on Ephesians. Pick a few people with whom you can get together and go over the lessons. You may need to compare notes with one another to find the answers.

The answers to all the questions will either be in Notes On The Ephesians 2019 Edition by Dr. Thomas Constable (<https://planobiblechapel.org/constable-notes/>)

You will need a journal or notebook or means of writing down what you are learning and how it is impacting your life as a result.

## Ephesians 1:15-23

*<sup>15</sup>For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup>that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup>having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup>that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>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 one to come. <sup>22</sup>And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.*

# Ephesians Bible Study (Ephesians 1:15-23)

1. What was it about the church at Ephesus that caused Paul to give thanks?

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2. What kind of prayer was Paul praying for the Church at Ephesus?

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3. What did he want the Lord to do for the Church at Ephesus in verses 17-18? Hint the prepositional phrases “that” are the clue.

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4. Verses 18-20 contain three “what” phrases that detail what Paul desired for the church at Ephesus to know. What were they?

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5. In verses 20 the resurrection of Christ points backwards toward the certainty that God will do what in the Church previously mentioned in verses 17-19?

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6. According to verse 20 where is Christ now?

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7. How does the author describe Christ in relation to other powers in verse 21?

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8. What things in verse 21 are in subjection to Christ in verse 22?

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9. Read Romans 8:38, Colossians 1:16, Colossians 2:15? What are “rule, power and authority in verse 21?”

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10. In verse 23 what are two descriptions of the Church?

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11. Based upon your reading and study of Chapter 1, what are some expectations that the Lord has for the Church?

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