



Lakeside Church

THE BOOK OF

EPHESIANS

1:15-23 “Immeasurable Power”

Ephesians 1:15-23 (19-23)

¹⁵ For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ 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, ¹⁸ 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, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ 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. ²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.



Three Things to See

“having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know...”

1. what is the hope
2. what are the riches
3. what is the immeasurable greatness of his power



The Nature Of This Power

“what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe according to the working of his great might”

“immeasurable” – “incomparable” – *huperballo* - “surpassing”

“working” – *energeia* - energy

“great might” – *kratos ischus*

– mighty power

– powerful strength



A. Power In Us

“that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,”

Romans 6:5 (ESV)

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.



God's Saving Power

- “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes” (Romans 1:16a)
- “but we preach Christ crucified... the power of God and the wisdom of God.” (1 Corinthians 1:23–24)
- “because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power” (1 Thessalonians 1:5a)
- “He who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion...” (Philippians 1:6)
- “For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.” (Colossians 1:29)
- “you have been saved by faith... and this is not your own doing...” (Ephesians 2:8)



B. Power For Us.

Seated at the right hand of God in the heavenly places Jesus is “above all” ...

1. above all rule and authority and power and dominion,
2. above every name that is named



Psalm 124:1–8 (ESV)

¹ If it had not been the Lord who was on our side— let Israel now say—

² if it had not been the Lord who was on our side

when people rose up against us, ³ then they would have swallowed us up alive,

when their anger was kindled against us; ⁴ then the flood would have swept us away,

the torrent would have gone over us; ⁵ then over us would have gone the raging waters.

⁶ Blessed be the Lord, who has not given us as prey to their teeth!

⁷ We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped!

⁸ Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.



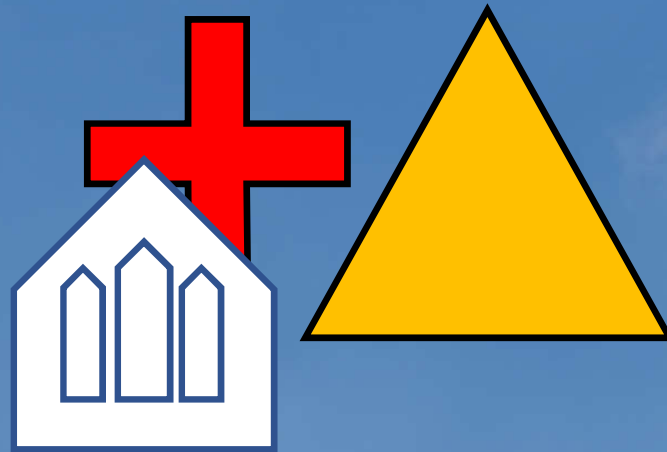
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Jesus And The Church



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