

# Don't Lose Your Head

Ephesians 1:15-23

# THE NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Romans

I & II Corinthians

Galatians

**Ephesians 1:15-23**

Philippians

Colossians

I & II Thessalonians

I & II Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

James

I & II Peter

I, II, & III John

Jude

Revelation

Paul says his constant prayer comes down to two points:

1. I cannot stop giving thanks to God for you.
2. God, give them more.

## Strength of relationship with God



- I. I cannot stop giving God thanks for you.
  - A. For your faith in Jesus and love for the saints.
  - B. The lesson Jesus taught had taken root.

II. God, give them more.

A. Is it right to ask for more?

B. Paul prayed ceaselessly, God give them more!

C. Instead of rejecting truth why don't we ask God to redeem the truth?

### III. More power, God!

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- B. Paul breaks out in Ephesians with the \_\_\_\_\_ power of God.

## Matthew 22:29-32

“You are wrong, because you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God. For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. And as for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God: ‘I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob’? He is not God of the dead, but of the living.”

## Romans 1:15-16

“I am eager to preach the gospel to you... for I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God for the salvation to everyone who believes.”

## I Corinthians 1:17-18, 23-25

“For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God...but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.”

## I Corinthians 2:1-5

“...when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.”

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The real problem is when the church  
(the body) is disconnected from  
Jesus (the head).

Charles Spurgeon: “I looked at Christ and the dove of peace flew into my heart. I looked at the dove and it flew away.”

- Focus on Jesus.
- To receive Jesus is to receive the Holy Spirit.
- As you experience the Holy Spirit, don't take your eyes off of Jesus.

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above,  
coming down from the Father of lights,  
with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.  
~James 1:17

*For heaven's sake, open your gifts.*

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# Prayer Family this Week

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