

Intro

Before we begin with our text today, let’s just circle back to our last sermon for a moment and draw from the encouragement mentioned there. 🙌 [Ephesians 1:15–16](#) “For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you...” We talked about faithfulness, lovingkindness, and thankfulness—the implication from verse 16. Let me just say that many of you are doing so well in these areas, and I’m so encouraged by that. When I look at your lifestyle or even converse with you, I’m always so thankful for you, and I’m so encouraged to keep fighting the good fight. I look up to many of you and strive to live the way you do. Praise God for His work in you.

Even so, as we begin to look at our text today, I so long and pray for this: that you and I would be doing everything we can to cultivate a life of prayer. For some of you, the first thing you do when you get up early in the morning is cry out to our God in prayer—for yourself and for others. You are doing so well, so I hope you’ll be encouraged. But for some of you listening to this, you have no life of prayer; you barely pray 15 minutes a week, and as a Christian, that ought not to be. And so, I hope that you too will be encouraged to pray more after we see some of the implications from our text today. That for those of us who struggle to pray, that we would dedicate ourselves to a life of prayer, and for those of us who already have a disciplined life of prayer, that we would be encouraged and continue to grow in that discipline, because...

PROPOSITION: To be a vibrant Christian and not have a prayer life is not possible. Because if you’re not praying, you’re straying.

How can you say you are doing well in the race if your life is not marked by prayer? How can you say that you have a good relationship if you don’t have a life of prayer? Oh, but I pray that we all would strive after this art of prayer—to cultivate our relationship with God.

How often do you pray? Do you have a secret life of prayer? Do you spend prolonged times with our Lord out of love for Him? Is your life marked by prayer?

TEXT: [Ephesians 1:16](#)(b)–19 “...remembering you in my prayers, 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, 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, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might”

We’ll do things a little differently today. Our outline consists of two main points: first, we’ll look at our prayer life; second, we’ll examine Paul’s prayer request from our text, and under this point I have three sub-points. These sub-points are hope, inheritance, and power.

OUTLINE:

Prayer Life v.16b

Prayer Request v.17–18a

i. Hope v.18b

ii. Inheritance v.18c

iii. Power v.19

Conclusion

Prayer Life v.16b

👉 [Ephesians 1:16](#) “I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.”

This whole section (v.15–23) is primarily about Paul’s thankfulness for these faithful Christians—and his prayer for them. I really want us to be encouraged today through this passage, so much so that we will take great measures in applying it to our everyday life, and that is this: that we would pray more, that we would be a praying people. Paul is not directly instructing them to pray in this passage—though the implication is there, and that is where I’m drawing the point from—but he does do that in other areas, like 👉 [Colossians 4:2](#): “Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.” And 👉 [1 Thessalonians 5:17](#), which says “pray without ceasing.” That can mean a few different things—it doesn’t mean that we should literally be on our knees 24/7—but it does mean that we should always be praying to God in some form. Either with boots on, or boots off. Boots on means prayer in action—in the busyness of everyday life, we ought to be praying to God. Though that has its place, it cannot be our only time of prayer. Or the substitute for praying with our boots off. Which means to pray in secret.

So, what is prayer about? Or who is prayer about? Verse 17: “the God of our Lord Jesus Christ.” God. It’s ultimately about God, though He has given prayer to us as a necessary part of our relationship with Him. Why do we need to pray? In case you haven’t noticed, in order for your marriage to work, there must be communication, lots of communication! It is the same way with our relationship with God. He speaks to us through His Word; we speak to Him through prayer. Your relationship with God cannot grow unless you are constantly communing with God. Prayer is key to growth in love for God. Ravenhill said, “Man must pray to God, if love for God is to exist.”

John Calvin said, “Prayer is not meant to change God’s mind, but to align our hearts with His will and acknowledge our total dependence on Him.” He said prayer is “The chief exercise of faith.” The primary way God blesses his people and the primary means by which God works through human agency.

Prayer can be a form of release—an unburdening to God, a comfort, a battle cry against evil. We can approach His throne with an awe like Isaiah, or a boldness like Luther, or a reverence like Calvin.

If you study the life of our Lord Jesus, you will quickly discover that this was a man who had an exemplary prayer life. He got up early in the morning to pray to His Father, and on several occasions He spent the whole night in prayer. So, let me ask you this, if our Lord thought it of utmost importance to spend much time in prayer, how much more should you and I—sinful beings—be seeking God in prayer?

Let me ask you this: Do you pray? Do you have a life of prayer? Is your life marked by prayer? Do you demonstrate a dependence on God even in the smallest matters? Because your dependence on God is demonstrated by how frequently you go to God in prayer. Do you have a life of Prayer? Someone says, “We must pray if we want to live a holy life!” “Yes, but conversely,” says Ravenhill, “we must live a holy life if we want to pray.” That’s why David says, “Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart” ([Psalm 24:3–4](#)).

You say, “I’m just so busy, I don’t really get to my devotional time.” Let me tell you this: you will make time for the things you love. I think your love for God can be measured by your prayer life—your devotional time with God. Many of you hardly give God 10 minutes a day. Or maybe you think you’ll just listen to something spiritual while you’re driving or while you’re at work instead of taking the best morning hours to spend time with God. The German reformer Martin Luther said: “If I fail to spend two hours in prayer each morning, the devil gets the victory through the day. I have so much business today that I cannot get on without spending three hours in prayer.” Luther said that on the days that he was overwhelmed with stuff to do, those are the days that he spent the most time with God in prayer—how’s that for dependence on God? But you know, that’s totally the opposite way of how we think today. We think that we’re so busy we just don’t have time for our devotional this morning, because then “blank” will be left undone—so you take things into your own hands by essentially saying, “I don’t need God right now.” But a dependence on God demonstrates that, “Lord, I’ll seek you first, regardless of how busy I am today—because I need your strength to do what I need to do.” John Flavel said, “That which begins not with prayer seldom ends with comfort.” Do you demonstrate a dependence on God by giving Him the morning hours? Or do you just give God some of your spare time throughout the day? You say, “God will understand, I’m really busy.”

E.M. Bounds said, “If God is not first in our thoughts and efforts in the morning, he will be in the last place the remainder of the day. So begin the day with prayer. Always.” He continues by saying that, “The men who have most fully illustrated Christ in their character, and have most powerfully affected the world for him, have been men who spent so much time with God as to make it a notable feature of their lives.”

Every man and every woman that God has used in a mighty way has been men and women who get along with God. Job prayed, Moses prayed, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob prayed, Joshua prayed, Hannah prayed, Samuel prayed, David prayed, Solomon prayed, Elijah and Elisha prayed, Hezekiah prayed, Ezra prayed, Nehemiah prayed, Isaiah prayed, Jeremiah prayed, Ezekiel prayed,

Daniel and his three friends prayed, Jonah prayed, Habakkuk prayed, Jesus prayed, John the Baptist prayed, John and James the sons of Zebedee prayed, Peter prayed, Paul prayed, Polykarp prayed, Augustine prayed, Wycliff prayed, Tyndale prayed, Huss prayed, Luther prayed, Calvin prayed, Knox prayed, Bunyan prayed, Edwards prayed, Owen prayed, Newton prayed Spurgeon prayed, Whitefield prayed, Muller prayed, Kyper prayed, Carmichael prayed, A.W. Pink prayed, Loyd Jones prayed, Boice prayed, Barnhouse prayed, Elliot prayed, McArthur prayed! All these men and women prayed, and so, so many more!

Look at what was said of the Apostles: they were unlearned, unpopular men, unwanted men who dedicated their lives to one thing—Jesus Christ! And what happened? They turned the world upside down!

John Knox prayed for several hours at a time, and on many occasions he spent all night in prayer. He fervently prayed, “Lord, give me Scotland, or I die!” I need not tell you of the great revivals of Scotland that God brought through this man.

David Brainerd prayed at least two hours every day—often at least five hours a day, and what happened? Many, many of the first nations of Massachusetts, New York, Western Pennsylvania, and New Jersey were converted through his efforts!

George Whitefield prayed three hours every day, and what happened through his ministry? The first great awakening in the American colonies! And along with him, John Wesley—who prayed at least two hours a day.

Anyone who has been greatly used of God has dedicated themselves to a life of prayer! So much so that their life could be defined by two words: “he prayed,” “she prayed.” And therefore the power of the Almighty overshadowed them in all that they did. Do you pray? What does your prayer life look like? All these men, following the example of Jesus, began their day by spending the morning hours in prayer.

E.M. Bounds writes in *Power Through Prayer*, “WHILE many private prayers, in the nature of things, must be short; while public prayers, as a rule, ought to be short and condensed; while there is ample room for and value put on ejaculatory prayer—yet in our private communions with God time is a feature essential to its value. Much time spent with God is the secret of all successful praying...” [Do you prevail with God in prayer?] He says, “Our short prayers owe their point and efficiency to the long ones that have preceded them. The short prevailing prayer cannot be prayed by one who has not prevailed with God in a mightier struggle of long continuance.” He gives an example: “Jacob's victory of faith could not have been gained without that all-night wrestling. God's acquaintance is not made by pop calls. God does not bestow his gifts on the casual or hasty comers and goers.”

Isiah says, “...if you are not firm in your faith, you are not firm at all” ([Isa 7:9](#)). Or to say it another way: If you are not firm in your prayer life, you are not firm at all. Do you have a prayer life? Is your life marked by prevailing intercessory prayer?

Prayer Request (The Content of Paul's Prayer) v.17–18a

👍 [Eph 1:17–18](#)(a) “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, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened,”

So, Paul has just told the Ephesians that Christians have received all of the spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus in verses 3–14. Now he's praying—to the God of our Lord Jesus Christ—that they would fully grasp these riches that they have in Christ. He's praying that their knowledge in the Lord might grow and that, as a result, their lives would be transformed by it. It was Paul's desire to see the churches grow. Almost the same words are mentioned in 👍 [Colossians 1:3–4](#): “We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints.” Along with every other church, I think it's safe to say that Paul had the Ephesians on his prayer list.

“That [God] may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened,”

“The Spirit of wisdom,” notice that it's a capital “S.” Paul is not now praying for their salvation; rather, he's praying that the Holy Spirit would give them eyes to see more and more. It's a prayer for sanctification. The same way you and I need our physical eyes to see where we're going so we won't stumble over things, the same way we need the eyes of our heart to see spiritually. In fact, the inner spiritual eyes are far more important than your physical eyes. 👍 [Matthew 6:22–23](#): “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!” Rather than your physical eyes and your spiritual eyes operating independently, your physical eyes follow your spiritual eyes. So, your physical eyes will only go where your spiritual eyes have already gone! Whether for good or evil. Here's an example: when I was 18, I bought a hatchback Ford Focus—manual transmission. But then when I started driving it, I noticed everyone—overnight—got the exact same one! But actually, they didn't. I just suddenly noticed the same model everywhere—not because more showed up overnight, but because my heart's focus had redirected my physical attention. Likewise, the treasures you hold dear will always determine where you steer.

So, because your physical eyes will only go where your spiritual eyes have already gone, in v.17–18a, Paul is praying that the Ephesians would have “the eyes of their hearts enlightened (growing in the knowledge of God).” He lists 3 reasons why: so that 1) they would have hope v. 18 b), 2) that they would see this glorious inheritance v. 18c, which requires hope), and 3) that they would see that the immeasurable power of God is for us v. 19–20. To sum each of these up in one word: Hope, Inheritance, and Power.

i) Hope

What is hope? What does it mean when we, in the West, say we hope for something? Is there a difference in how we use it today than how the Bible uses it? The meaning of hope that we have in the West today is not really hope at all. It's mostly wishful thinking. What we define as hope

today is a philosophical misconception promoted first by Aristotle. This has, in effect, evolved into a modern conceptualization of an emotion, an affection or a passion instead of how the Bible uses hope—as a for-sure, absolute certain confidence in something.

Whereas in the West we use it (hope) in a completely opposite sense. The concept of hope is most often associated with complete, or at least a great, uncertainty. We use it as a substitute for wishing for or wanting something, instead of an absolute assurance. I'll give you an example: Say, as you're driving down the road in your van, and you notice the engine is starting to make weird noises that you know are not normal. You continue a bit further, and it gets worse. So, as you're pulling over to the side of the road, the engine suddenly ceases—maybe because you never kept up with the oil. But anyhow, you don't know what to do, so maybe you begin to pray and “hope” that it'll start back up and the problem will just go away by itself. Or, say you have an interview for a job you really want or need. But you do nothing to prepare for the interview. You're just “hoping” that it'll go well. So, when the boss says, “What are you bringing to the table?” You say, “Well, I'm not sure; I just really hope I'll get the job. That's no hope at all. That is wishful thinking.

So what is biblical hope? St. Augustine and Thomas Aquinas said (following Paul's teaching) that along with faith and love, hope is a virtue. 🙌 [1 Corinthians 13:13](#): “So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.” 🙌 [Romans 5:3–5](#): “Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Biblical hope is a sure confidence built on God's promises. As a true Christian, do you believe you will one day get to heaven (you should)? You say, “yes.” Then that is a sure hope, because that is a sure promise from God to all His children. 🙌 [Colossians 1:5](#) “Because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel.”

🙌 [Romans 8:24–25](#) “For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.” Do you hear the expectancy there?

🙌 [Romans 15:13](#) “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”

🙌 [Ephesians 1:12](#) “so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.” Hope is associated with faith. 🙌 [Hebrews 11:1](#) “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.”

What about prayer? How do you pray? Do you pray with hope? Such hope that you are certain God will answer your prayers in a way that will turn out for your good? Or do you walk away uncertain and wishing that God would come through this time? Are you constantly anxious about whether or not God will grant you this request? Brothers, we ought to pray with a sure hope that God will answer our prayers, because He promised He would.

👍 [Hebrews 4:16](#) “Let us then with confidence [a sure HOPE] draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need—[God knows our every need [Matt. 6:8](#)].” Let me assure you of this: God will always, always give you what you need. Maybe not what you want, but what you need. 👍 [Philippians 4:19](#) “And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.” We may not get everything you want when you want it, but at the very least, God will supply our every need.

Do you have a sure hope/faith that God will answer your prayers? Or are you wishing He’d finally answer this prayer of yours? Are you confident God will answer your prayers? Or do you waver? 👍 [James 1:6–8](#) says, “But let him ask in faith,” when you bring your supplications before God, “with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind [always back and forth]. For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.” So, if you’re praying about something that you’re constantly doubting God will answer, then, James says, “Don’t expect anything from God.” You need to have a sure hope and confidence that God can and will answer your prayers in due time—it may not be what you initially wanted, but when you’re in submission to God’s will, you’ll be content.

👍 [Hebrews 11:6](#) “And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him (that is, He answers prayer).” 👍 [Mark 11:24](#) “Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.” That’s praying with a sure hope in God’s promises. Any preacher who tells you God will give you all the riches you want is a liar, and the truth is not in him. God may very well grant you the desires of your heart—but only when your heart’s desires are in tune with His desires. So, the point is this: hope is built on the sure promises of God, and that does not change when it comes to prayer. So you need to pray with a sure Hope. You need to pray with a sure expectancy that God will answer. “Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours ([Mk 11:24](#)).” That’s praying with a sure hope in tune with God’s desires.

👍 [Ephesians 1:18](#) “having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you...” So, we are called to this hope. This calling is not a call to salvation as we talked about in verses 3–14; this is a call for sanctification. It’s a call for holiness. It is a call to obedience in Christ Jesus, which Paul further explains in the last 3 chapters of this epistle.

So, hope is not wishful thinking; it is a sure confidence built on God’s promises. So, because God has promised us an inheritance, we hope (we’re absolutely sure) that we will one day inherit what God has prepared for His children. That leads us to the next point...

ii) Inheritance

Moving on now to Inheritance now. We’ve talked about this before, so this will be brief.

👉 [Ephesians 1:18](#) “having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you is, (here is one of the reasons of the hope to which He has called us) what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,”

All true believers have such a great hope after death—the promised inheritance.

[Eph 1:11](#) begins with, “In him we (you may remember that “we” is talking about Israel because of the promise was first made to Israel in the OT). In verses 11–12, he talks about the Jews (including himself) and speaks of the “promised inheritance.” Then, he turns to the Gentiles in verse 13 and tells them of their secure salvation in the Holy Spirit. Then, in verse 14, he includes both Jew and Gentile as one people who have been united in Christ, who will share this “promised inheritance” by faith. 👉 [Ephesians 1:11](#) “In Him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will.” What is this inheritance? We saw that God Himself is the inheritance of all those who believe in Jesus Christ for their salvation. Our inheritance is so, so much more than golden streets. It is the fullness of God Himself!

And as Christians, we have a sure hope in this.

iii) Power

Among hope and inheritance, Paul’s prayer for the Ephesians is that they would also be enlightened to the immeasurable greatness of God’s power working for us!

I’ll read verses 19 and 20.

👉 [Ephesians 1:19–20](#) “and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,”

Did you get that? The same power that raised Jesus from the dead and seated Him at the Father’s right hand is for us! 👉 [Romans 8:11](#) “If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead (If He) dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.” That’s the hope of eternal life—God’s power is not only working for us but also working in us! But that “us” is not talking about everyone. Only if the Spirit of God rests upon you today, that is, only if you are a believer, only then is the immeasurable greatness of God’s power toward us and in us.

Let me be very clear: the power of God that rests upon the believer is not because of you, or something you did, but because God has caused you to be born again to a new and living hope.

👉 [2 Corinthians 4:7](#) “But we have this treasure (which is the light of the Gospel) in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.” You are not born with God’s power in you. But when you died and were reborn (given spiritual life), then the Spirit and Power of God came upon you.

Paul is praying, “Oh that you would be enlightened so that you would be able to grasp this power of God that is at work in us!” How does this come about? Through obedience to God’s commands and through prayer. How can one be enlightened to the knowledge of God? Oh, you can read and learn all the theology you want—you can get to know the Word of God more than anyone else, but if you don’t know the God of the Word, then it’s all useless. How do you get to know the God of the Word? In the same way that you need to study to know the Word of God, the same way you need to pray to know the God of the Word. If you are studying hard, but you are not a praying person, then you haven’t gotten any closer to God. All the theology you know is useless if it is not learned on a foundation of prayer. Martin Luther's motto was: "To have prayed well as to have studied well.”

So, through prayer comes the enlightenment of the immeasurable greatness of God's power. How is this power at work in us (believers)?

👉 [Mark 11:22–24](#) “And Jesus answered them, “Have faith in God. Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and thrown into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.” There’s the hope we talked about.

👉 [Acts 12:5](#) “So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church.” What happened? His chains fell off and he was supernaturally led out of prison by an angel. Now, that may not happen to you, but the same power is still at work in us in different ways.

God works His power through our prayers. 👉 [Philippians 2:13](#) “for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.”

Through prayer, God empowers the gifts of His people; through prayer, you can live in accordance with the will of God; through prayer, you gain the strength you need to overcome temptation; through prayer, you gain victory over sin; through prayer, you gain power over doubt, fear and anxiety. Through the outworking of this power received through prayer, we are sanctified.

Speaking of this power, Paul says in 👉 [Philippians 4:13](#) “I can do all things through him who strengthens me.” It’s not “I can do all things because I have this power,” but it’s “I can do all things because of Christ’s power at work me.” All the difficulty that lies ahead, I can rest assured that God Almighty will help me through it.

Can something hinder your prayers to God? Yes—you. 👉 [Isaiah 59:2](#) says, “but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear.” Your habitual sinning will hinder your prayer. 👉 [Proverbs 28:9](#) “If one turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination.” If you do not care to hear from God through His Word, what makes you think He will grant you your requests? ([James 4:1–5](#)) I won’t read it, but in short, your selfish desire hinders your prayers to God. 👉

[Proverbs 15:29](#) “The Lord is far from the wicked, but he hears the prayer of the righteous.” If God has put it in your heart to seek Him, He will absolutely be found by you.

The immeasurable greatness of God’s power is at work through our efforts

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So much so that all of hell is against you and yet you remain unmoved, why? Because God’s power is for you! So take hold of it in prayer. Equip yourself for the trials ahead.

Conclusion

In conclusion, I’ll ask you again: is your life marked by a life of prayer? I don’t care how much theology you know, or how many books you’ve read; if your life is not built on a foundation of prayer to God, all of that theology you have is worthless! If you are only growing intellectually and not in your prayer life, then you will begin to rely on your intelligence rather than dependence on God. Because how much you pray really shows how much you depend on God. Do you depend on God? Just what do you depend on Him for? Examine the heart of your prayers, and you’ll find out. If you pray, why do you pray?

Do you desire to grow in your Christian life? Let me assure you of this: If you are not first growing in your prayer life, you will never, never grow spiritually in a way that will last. Therefore pray, always pray.

Leonard Ravenhill—a man marked by his great life of prayer—said this: “No man—I don’t care how big his church is, how many books he’s written, I don’t care how famous he is—no man is greater than his prayer life...and...No church is greater than its prayer life.” I know many of you have a vibrant prayer life, but not all of you. To be a vibrant Christian and not have a prayer life is not possible. Because if you’re not praying, you’re straying.

Oh that we would surrender all areas of our lives to Jesus! Like Mary D. James’s Hymn says:

All for Jesus! All for Jesus! All my being’s ransomed pow’rs; All my thoughts and words and doings, All my days and all my hours. All for Jesus! All for Jesus! ...
Let my hands perform His bidding; Let my feet run in His ways; Let mine eyes see Jesus only; Let my lips speak forth His praise. All for Jesus! All for Jesus! ...

When it says that we will have the tears wiped from our eyes when we get to eternity, I think that will be because we’ll be looking back at our time on earth and realize all the wasted time. Seize every opportunity you have! Wholly give yourself to God!

Let’s Pray.