

## GOGMWW Notes 25 April 2024

His Calling, His Riches, His Power!

***that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, —Ephesians 1:17 NKJV\****

- Paul prayed for us to have wisdom, revelation, and knowledge. We need to know what we've already been given.
- Everything has already been provided for us in Christ Jesus. We just need to see it.
- Notice that it is *the knowledge of Jesus* Paul prayed for.

***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, —Ephesians 1:18***

- The word for “understanding” here, in Greek means “heart.”
- You have eyes in your heart that are even more important than your natural eyes.
- Two of the things Paul prayed for us to be enlightened to are in this verse:
  1. The hope of His (Jesus') calling—God gave Jesus a calling, and when we get saved, we share that calling, which was:
    - To be a king and priest.
    - To seek and save the lost (the Great Commission).
    - To destroy the works of the devil.
  2. The riches of the glory of His (Jesus') inheritance in the saints:
    - We need riches to fulfill our calling.
    - Jesus is the heir of God, and when we get saved, we become joint and it becomes our inheritance.
    - You must know what your inheritance is before receiving it.
    - It is in the saints or in us.

***and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power —Ephesians 1:19***

3. The third thing Paul prayed for us to have wisdom and revelation about was:
  - “The exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe.”
  - We need power to fulfill His (our) calling.
  - “Exceeding greatness” means “beyond mega” power.
  - When we speak God's Word and step out on what He's told us to do, that power is released.
  - Until it is released by faith, it just sits there.
  - It's the same power that raised Christ from the dead.

***For with God nothing is ever impossible and no word from God shall be without power or impossible of fulfillment. — Luke 1:37 (AMPC)***

- All you need is a Word from God.
- When you speak and stand on that Word, power is released to fulfill it.
- God is sending the power constantly, but it does us no good until we flip the switch.

***according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, —Ephesians 1:19b-20***

- Paul used four different words for “power” in his prayer:

1. Dunamis – where we get the word “dynamite”
  2. Energeia – where we get “energy”
  3. Ischys – “force”
  4. Kratos – “ruling” power of God to dominate any situation
- It took more power to raise Jesus from the dead than it did to create the universe!

***When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have ordained, —Psalm 8:3***

- When God created the universe, He used His fingers.
- It took all the strength of His arm to raise Jesus from the dead.

***You have with Your arm redeemed Your people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah. —Psalm 77:15***

- There was great opposition when Jesus was raised from the dead.

***Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? —Isaiah 53:1***

- Have you believed God’s report? In other words, do you believe you’re healed before it is manifest? Do you believe you’re prosperous before it shows up in your checkbook, etc.?
- Are you speaking in line with God’s Word?
- The power of God can raise anything that is dead—no matter what your situation, but you have to cooperate with it.

***which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, —Ephesians 1:20***

- Jesus is seated. His work is finished, and He shares everything He has with us. He shares His seat with us:

***and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, —Ephesians 2:6***

- We can have an earthly perspective (in the natural) or a heavenly perspective (the eyes of our hearts). Everything is small with a heavenly perspective.

***far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. —Ephesians 1:21***

- We are seated far above every principality and power and even every name—now and forevermore.
- That is far above everything that has a name.

***And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, —Ephesians 1:22***

- Jesus is the Head; we are the body. All things are under His feet, so they are under ours as well.
- Just speak His Word and act on it!

**Read Joshua 10:16-24. Five kings were hiding in a cave. Joshua told his men to roll stones over the entrance, then go on fighting. He then had them roll the stones away and place their feet on the necks of these five kings.**

- This is symbolic of the enemy being under our feet as well! Understand what Jesus has done for you!