

## **SCRIPTURAL PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH**

(From Ephesians.1:17-23; 3:14-21)

OUR FATHER, Who Art In Heaven...

FATHER IN HEAVEN, GOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, FATHER OF GLORY, we pray that you give each of us in Your Church a Spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring us to full knowledge of You.

We ask You to enlighten the eyes of our minds so that we can see what hope Your call holds for us, what rich glories You have promised the saints will inherit, and how infinitely great is the power that You have exercised for us believers.

This we can tell from the strength of Your power at work in CHRIST JESUS when You used it to raise Him from the dead and make Him sit at Your Right Hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.

You have put all things under His Feet, and made Him, as RULER OF EVERYTHING, the HEAD OF THE CHURCH, which is His Body, the fullness of Him Who fills the whole creation.

FATHER, from Whom every family, whether spiritual or natural, takes its name, this is what we pray as we kneel before You:

Out of Your infinite glory, may You give us the power through YOUR SPIRIT for our hidden selves to grow strong, so that CHRIST may live in our hearts through faith, and then, planted in love and built on love, we will with all the saints have strength to grasp the breadth and the length, the height, and the depth, until, knowing the Love of CHRIST, which is beyond all knowledge, we are filled with the utter fullness of GOD.

**GLORY BE TO YOU  
WHOSE POWER, WORKING IN US,  
CAN DO INFINITELY MORE  
THAN WE CAN ASK OR IMAGINE;  
GLORY BE TO YOU  
FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION  
IN THE CHURCH  
AND IN CHRIST JESUS  
FOR EVER AND EVER AMEN. ALLELUIA.**