

COMMUNITY

Swap stories. When do you feel the most powerful?

PRAYER

From Bridge Ministry of Acadiana: Pray that the Lord will direct our steps and vision as we consider the next steps as an organization. Also pray for the families we serve.

Fasting and Praying on Wednesdays during the month of February: We invite you to join Michael and others as we fast and pray for Trinity, our leadership, ministry, and missions. Feel free to choose the type of fast that suits you. Our heart is to commit to be intentional to pray together as a church family as we begin 2023.

- Pray for Trinity that we will be “a people for His own possession, eager for good deeds.” (Titus 2:13-14)
- Pray for our leadership that Christ would “perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish us.” (1 Peter 5:10)
- Pray for our Ministries and Mission Partners
- Pray that we would love God and love people well
- Pray that we can be encouragers to one another.
- Pray that we will be molded by God
- Pray that as a church we will do His will.

SCRIPTURE STUDY by Kevin Valson

After listing the blessings of the believers, Paul thanks the Lord for saving the Ephesians. He then prays that their minds be enlightened so that they may know what God has done for them. In his prayer, he lists three facets of God’s work that needs to be enlightened to believers: what Christian hope is, how we are God’s inheritance, and how great God’s power in us is.

Paul then explains that the same power of God was at work in Christ, so that he was raised from the dead and glorified with all authority. Paul alludes to Psalm 110:1, Daniel 7:14, and Psalm 8:6 to make this point. The headship of Christ over his church which is his body (Ephesians 1:22,23) is another major theme, and ties together the preceding theme of union with Christ.

Read Ephesians 1:15-23. Then answer the following questions:

- 1) Identify the verses that reveal the content of Paul’s prayer for the Ephesians.
- 2) Compare and contrast the inheritance in v18 with the inheritance in v11 and v14.
- 3) In 1:19-22, Paul alludes to Psalm 110:1, Daniel 7:14, and Psalm 8:6. Read these three verses. Then re-read Ephesians 1:19-22. Why is Paul using verses from the Old Testament here?
- 4) Paul’s use of Psalm 110 in verse 20 may seem surprising (even arbitrary) to some readers. Read Psalm 110. Then read Matthew 22:42-45. What does this tell us about how Jesus understood Psalm 110?
- 5) Read Ephesians 1:22,23. What do these verses teach us regarding the primacy of the church in God’s plan?

ANSWER THE CALL

The Worship Team is in need of a few more Vocalists, Musicians, and Slides Techs! If you’re gifted in these areas, please contact info@trinitybible.org to set up a meeting for you to try it out.