

But be doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves - James 1:22

An Apostolic Prayer Pt 2

Ephesians 1:15-23

Study

What is the main point of the passage? Write a 2 or 3 sentence summary of the passage.

How does he identify the power in verse 19?

What inheritance is being talked about in verse 18?

How is that inheritance glorious?

What are the different illustrations of this power in the text?

What OT passage does he quote in verse 22? What other NT passages quote this verse in reference to Christ?
How does the NT develop this passage in relationship to Christ?

What does it mean that Christ is head over the church?

Explain verse 23.



Think About It

What are ways in which understanding other believers as God's glorious inheritance might affect how you look at them? Are there any people in the church that you struggle with? How might this concept help you think properly about them? What steps can you take to show them love?

Do you feel spiritually weak as a Christian? Why? Is there a sin that you have convinced yourself you will never get over? How does this passage provide hope that you will learn obedience in this area?

Do you find the truth of what Paul is saying in verses 19-23 hard to believe? Why or why not? Read 2:1-10 in light of these verses and make the connections of God's power towards us and his power on display in Christ.
