

Prayer for the One New Man in Christ (Ephesians 3:14-21)

3:1-7 The Mystery revealed

3: 8-12 The Ministry of the Mystery

1. *Making known Christ's riches to the Gentiles (verse 8)*
2. *Making known the mystery to all men (verse 9)*
3. *Making known God's wisdom to the cosmic powers (verse 10)*

Part I. An Introduction to Paul's Prayer (3:14-16a)

- *For this reason...*
- *I bow my knees*
- *Before the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ*
- *from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named*

II. The Substance of Paul's Prayer (3:16b-18)

A. Strengthened with Might (16-17a)

B. Rooted and Grounded in Love (17b)

C. Knowing Christ's love (18-19a)

D. Filled up with God's fullness (19b)

III. The Conclusion of Paul's Prayer (vss. 20-21)

1. He is able to *do* or to work (*poiēsai*)
2. He is able to do what *we ask*
3. He is able to do what we ask, but also what we *think*
4. He is able to do all that we ask or think
5. He is able to do exceedingly *more ... than* (*hyper*, 'beyond')
7. He is able do far more abundantly
6. He is able to do exceedingly above all

by the power at work within us, to Him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen