

What's the Point?

EPHESIANS 3:14-21



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¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and
on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that out
of His glorious riches He may strengthen
you with power through His Spirit in your
inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in
your hearts through faith. And I pray that
you, being rooted and established in love,**

¹⁸ may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, ²¹ to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Ephesians 3:14-21

The thief comes only to **steal and kill and destroy**; I have come that **they may have life, and have it to the full.**

John 10:10

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ;

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.

Ephesians 2:4-5a; 8-9

**It is possible to know a lot about what
the Bible says and to fail to live by its
truths.**

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Ephesians 3:14-15

Four Basic Building Blocks of Abundance

1) Inward Power

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may strengthen you with **power** through
His Spirit in your inner being

Ephesians 3:16

For God to give out of His glorious riches should leave us speechless because God's riches are absolutely limitless.

Psalm 50:10 - God owns all

**Ephesians 2:7 - Exceeding riches of His
grace**

Philippians 4:19 - Supply all we need

Ephesians 2:4 - Rich in mercy

**Colossians 2:2-3 - all the treasures of
wisdom and
knowledge**

“All of God’s people are to be like Paul in having an overriding sensitivity to the spiritual needs of others, for the salvation of the unsaved and the spiritual protection and growth of the saved.”

- John MacArthur

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1) Inward Power

2) Inward Presence

so that Christ may **dwell** in your hearts
through faith.

Ephesians 3:17a

**"When Jesus heard it, He marveled,
and said to those who followed,
'Assuredly, I say to you, I have not
found such great **faith**, not even in
Israel!'"**

Matthew 8:10

"And He marveled because of their **unbelief. Then He went about the villages in a circuit, teaching."**

Mark 6:6

Does your faith cause you to think and act differently or is it simply an academic exercise?

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Ephesians 3:17b - 19a

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Deep - God's love addresses the deepest needs of every heart.

**Christ's love is so vast and profound
that it goes beyond human
understanding and comprehension. It
cannot be fully grasped or measured
by human intellect or experience.**

Christ's love is experiential. It transcends intellectual knowledge and cannot fully be articulated.

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4) Inward Provision

–that you may be **filled** to the measure
of all the fullness of God.

Ephesians 3:19b

God's ultimate goal is to bring us to Himself by making us like Himself by filling us with Himself, with all that He is and has.



Before there can be fullness there must be emptiness. Before God can fill us with Himself we must first be emptied of ourselves.

— *Aiden Wilson Tozer* —

Power
Majesty
Wisdom
Love
Mercy
Patience
Kindness
Peace

The ultimate way to experience an abundant life is through worship.

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Ephesians 3:20-21

Where is your faith weak? Where do you need God to show up for you this week?