

Vision: Our Spiritual Perspective in Christ

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**God's
New People**
PAUL'S LETTER TO THE EPHESIANS

WARM UP

What are you looking forward to this coming Fall?

COMING UP

[GRACPOLARIS.ORG/CALENDAR](https://gracpolaris.org/calendar)

Women's Bible Study Thursdays, September 8–November 3 • 9:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. • MC • All ladies are invited to join us as we walk through Kelly Minter's study *Encountering God*, focusing on how spiritual disciplines are essential to a more vibrant spiritual life and knowing God more intimately. To register by Tuesday, September 6, visit [GracePolaris.org/WBS](https://gracpolaris.org/WBS) or text "WBS" to 614-888-7733.

Training Elective: Doctrine of the Church Sundays, September 11–November 13 • 9:00 a.m. • MC 3 • This 10-week course will examine why the church matters, the essential elements of a healthy church, what it means to be a member of a healthy church, and the mission of the church. Course materials and two books are included. Register by September 11 for \$25 at [GracePolaris.org/Electives](https://gracpolaris.org/Electives) or text "Electives" to 614-888-7733.

Financial Peace University Sundays, September 11–November 20 • 10:30 a.m. • WC 10 • In the Financial Peace University course from Dave Ramsey, you'll walk through the basics of handling money from a Christian perspective: budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and much more. To register by September 7, visit [GracePolaris.org/FPU](https://gracpolaris.org/FPU) or text "FPU" to 614-888-7733.

WITNESS

- Who are the people in your sphere of influence you're praying will come to know Jesus?
- Share any progress/updates. Pray together for God to use you and your Grace Group to influence these people for Jesus.

EXPLORE

- 1 Many people confess difficulty in knowing what to pray. Why is that? What, if anything, has helped you grow in your prayer life?
- 2 People we cherish are often on our minds and in our prayers. How do we see that in Paul's prayer? (1:15,16)
- 3 There are two kinds of knowledge: cognitive knowledge (facts) and experiential knowledge (relationships). Are they related? What is Paul emphasizing for believers in verse 17?
- 4 How do people live differently if they are the recipients of a lavish inheritance? (1:18)
- 5 What does Paul want to communicate about the nature of God's power in us when he connects it to the power that raised Jesus from the dead? (1:19b,20)
- 6 How does the picture of Jesus as merely an example of moral living fall woefully short when we see the picture of Jesus in Ephesians 1:20–23?
- 7 What does the present status of Jesus communicate about the present and future status of God's people, the Church? What does this communicate about our importance? (1:20–23)

PRAY

Pray that the eyes of your heart would be enlightened in accordance with this passage.