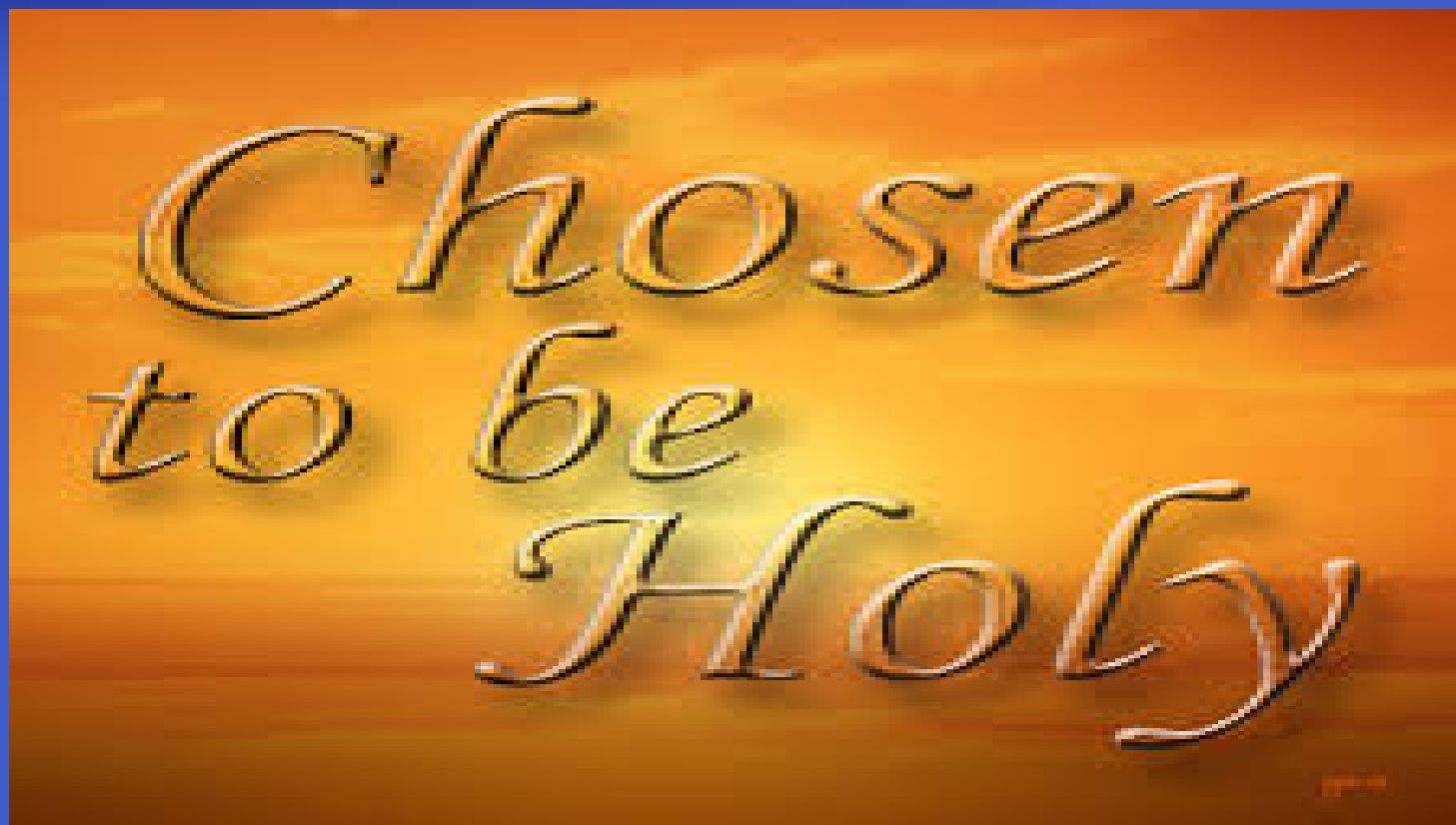


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The Text:

Ephesians 1:15-23!

The Theme:

(Encouragement & Exhortation)

God's Eternal Purpose in the Establishing
and Completing of His Church!

The Title:

Prayer: The Doorway to Wisdom!

The **Outline** of the Book of Ephesians!

Threefold:

- I. (1:1-3:21) The **POSITION** of the Believer! (Theological)
 - A.(1:1-14) The Believer's Position **Produces PRAISE!**
 - B.(1:15-23) The Believer's Position **Promotes PRAYER!**
 - C.(2:1-10) The Believer's Position **Provides PASSION!**
 - D. (3:1-21) The Believer's Position **Promises POWER!**

- II. (4:1-6:9) The **PRACTICE** of the Believer! (Practical)

- III. (6:10-20) The **PROTECTION** of the Believer! (Personal)

Paul's Praise for God's Work in the Believer's Life!

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I. (1:1-3:21) The **POSITION** of the Believer! (Theological)

A.(1:1-14) The Believer's Position **Produces PRAISE!**

1. (1-6a / **Past**) The **Father's** part in the believer's **ELECTION!**
2. (vs.6b-11 / **Present**) The **Son's** part in the believer's **REDEMPTION!**
3. (vs.12-14 / **Future**) The **Holy Spirit's** part in the believer's **INHERATANCE!**

B. (1:15-23) The Believer's Position **Promotes PRAYER!**

Today's Sermon Outline!

I. (1:1-3:21) The **POSITION** of the Believer! (Theological)

A. (1:1-14) The Believer's Position **Produces PRAISE!**

1. (vs.1-2) The **Prelude**: From God's man, to God's people, with God's message!
2. (vs.3-6) The **Praise**: Our salvation & sanctification is God's work, alone!
3. (vs.7-14) The **Provision**: We are safe & secure because we are "in" Christ!

B. (1:15-23) The Believer's Position **Promotes PRAYER!**

1. (vs.15-17) The **REASON** for Prayer!
2. (vs.18-21) The **REALM** (or scope) of Prayer!
3. (vs.22-23) The **REVELATION** (or realization) from Prayer!

A.(2:1-10) The Believer's Position **Provides PASSION!**

D. (3:1-21) The Believer's Position **Promises POWER!**