

# Hope for the Hopeless

*Life in Christ: Wealth, Walk, Warfare (Ephesians) – Part 37*

*Ephesians 1:18*

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<sup>15</sup> For this reason I, for my part, since hearing of your own faith in the Lord Jesus, and of the love which *you show* unto all the holy ones, <sup>16</sup> I do not cease giving thanks for you while making mention of you<sup>1</sup> during my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory,

would give you a spirit<sup>2</sup> of revelation-based wisdom<sup>3</sup> in the full knowledge of Him, <sup>18</sup> — the eyes of your heart having been enlightened — so that you would understand<sup>4</sup> what is the hope of His calling, what is the wealth of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, [DJP]

## Introduction:

### I. God's *Call to Hope*

#### A. His                     al Call to          People

1. Definition

2. Demonstration

Matthew       :      

#### B. His                     al Call to the

1. Definition

2. Demonstration

a. In **narrative**

i. Acts 2

ii. Acts 13

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<sup>1</sup> Some manuscripts do not contain *of you*; if absent, it would be implied, regardless.

<sup>2</sup> Or *the Spirit*."

<sup>3</sup> Literally *wisdom and revelation*; a hendiadys. Or possibly *spiritual wisdom and revelation*.

<sup>4</sup> Or *know*.

- b. In description
  - Romans \_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_
  - Romans \_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_
  - 1 Corinthians 1:2, 9, 21, 23–24
  - Ephesians 4:1, 4
  - 2 Thessalonians \_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_
  - 1 Peter 1:3

**II. God's Hope for Those Called**

**A. Why We \_\_\_\_\_ (and \_\_\_\_\_) It**

Ephesians 2:11–12

**B. Its Center and Basis**

1. It is **p**\_\_\_\_\_
  - Ephesians 1:12
  - 1 Timothy 1:1
  
2. It is **procured**
  - Hebrews 7:19
  - Colossians 1:5
  
3. P\_\_\_\_\_
  - Romans 8:23–25

**III. The Blessed Effect of God's Call to God's Hope**

**A. We \_\_\_\_\_ Our Own**

**B. We \_\_\_\_\_ His**

**C. We Live...**