



In Christ

What it means to be saved?

How To Know The Love Of God

Ephesians 3:14-21

16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. 18 “I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

- John 14:15-18

“ . . . God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.”

- Romans 5:5

14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, 16 that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

20 Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

-Ephesians 3:14-21

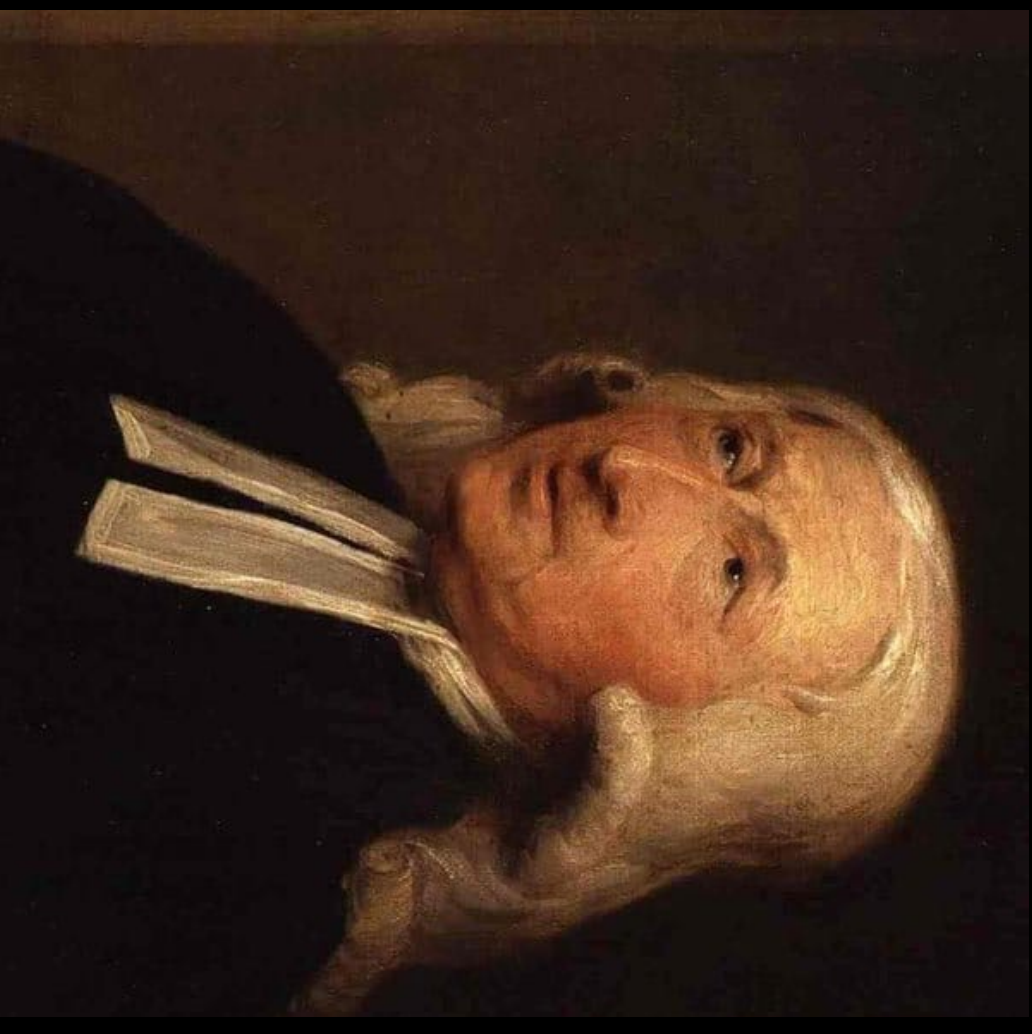






“I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, in Christ alone for salvation; and an assurance was given me that He has taken away my sins – even mine; and has saved me from the law of sin and death.”

— John Wesley, Journals.



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vss. 14-17, 20-1: A powerful work of God

vs. 18: God's Strength to Comprehend the vastness of God's love

vs. 19: God's Strength to Experientially Know His love.

First Petition:

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Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

— Hebrews 11:1

“Love is to the soil in which their life is rooted; love is to be the foundation on which their life is built.”

- John Stott, Ephesians

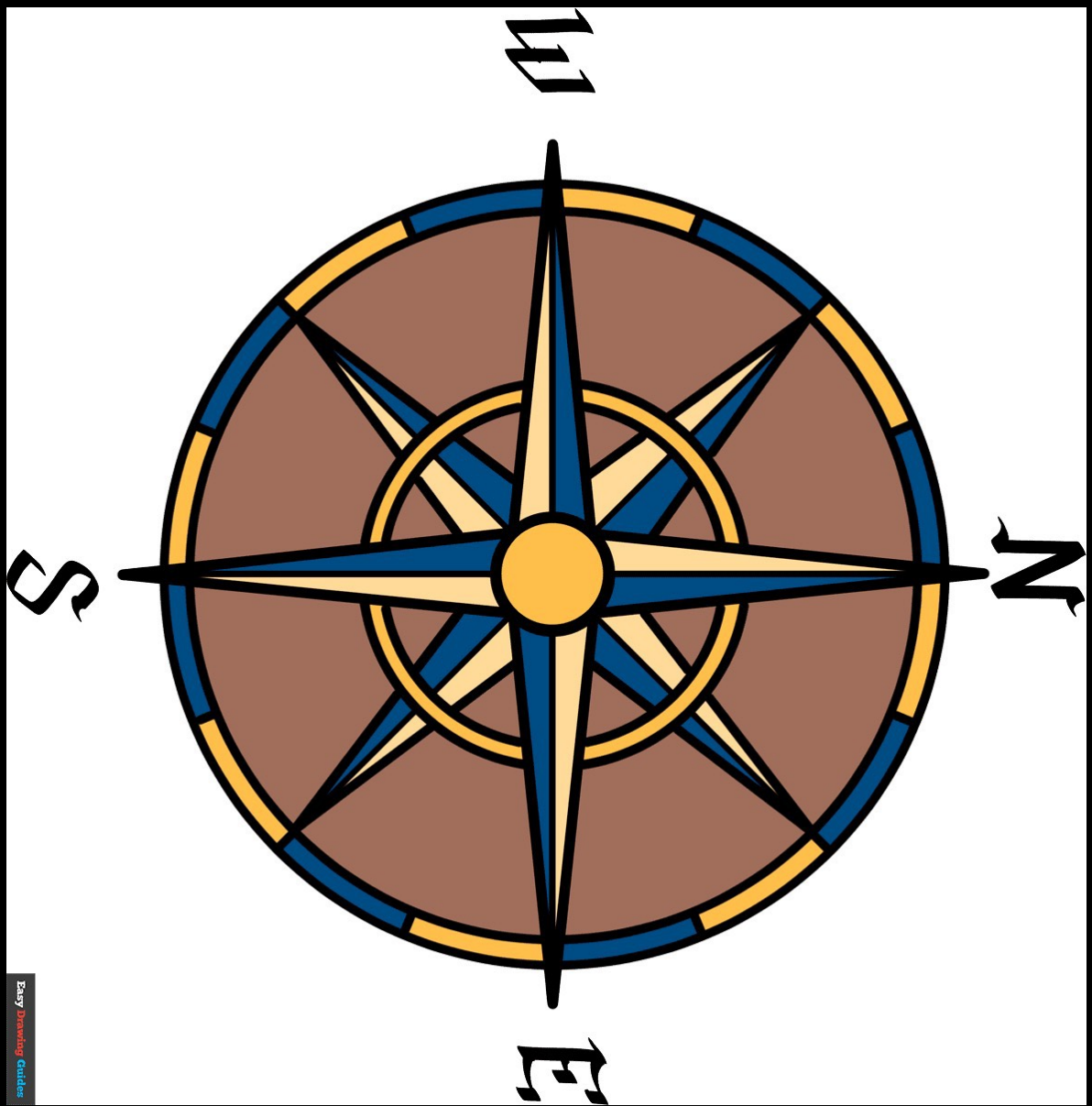
We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, all being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience.

— Colossians 1:9-11

Second Petition:

18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, (of Christ's love).

- Ephesians 3:18



For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his
steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is
from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

- Psalm 103:11-12

I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

- Jeremiah 31:3

Third petition:

19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

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14 if my people who are called by my name humble themselves,
and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I
will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

—2 Chronicles 7:14