

## **Ephesians 3:16-21 • “Paul’s Prayer For Maturity In Christ” • Screen Notes**

### **A. Paul’s prayer requests:**

1. For strength, power within---by God’s Spirit (verse 16)
2. For Christ to rule and reign within---by faith (verse 17)
3. For you being rooted and grounded in love (verse 17)
4. For understanding---a full understanding of all spiritual things (verse 18)
5. To know the love of Christ (verse 19)
6. For the fullness of God (verse 19)

### **B. God’s power conquers:**

1. Temptation and sin
2. Trouble and trials
3. Disease and suffering
4. Grief and death
5. Selfishness and worldliness
6. Problems and circumstances

### **C. God’s plan unfolded (Eph 1-3)**

1. The great blessing of God---1:3-14
2. The knowledge and power of God---1:15-23
3. The mercy and grace of God---2:1-10
4. The reconciliation and peace wrought by God---2:11-18
5. The church: who and what it is---2:19-22
6. The new body of people God is forming---3:1-13

### **D. God’s power within us (v20)**

1. The power of the Spirit strengthening us---verse 16
2. The power of Christ indwelling us---verse 17
3. The power of love working in us---verses 17&19
4. The power of understanding all that God does---verse 18
5. The power of the fullness of God Himself---verse 19

### **E. CONCLUSION: God is able!**

1. To raise up children from stones---Luke 3:8
2. To fulfill promises even if they are humanly impossible---Romans 4:21
3. To make grace abound---2 Corinthians 9:8
4. To do exceedingly abundantly---Ephesians 3:20
5. To subdue all things---Philippians 3:21
6. To guard the soul’s treasure---2 Timothy 1:12
7. To save to the uttermost---Hebrews 7:25

8. To keep us from falling---Jude 24