

The Course of Recovery *For A Failing Heart*

(Ephesians 3:13-21)



A. STEPS TO THE FULLEST POSSIBLE EXPERIENCE OF CHRISTIAN VITALITY:

1. Begin with Prayer (Eph. 3:14-17a)
 - a.) Pray earnestly - "I bow my knee. . ."
 - b.) Pray to the Father - "Before the Father . . ."
 - c.) Pray for the infusion of the Spirit - "Into the inner man . . ."
(Eph. 3:16)
 - 1.) Drink of His Spirit (1 Cor. 12:13; Lk. 11:11-13)
 - 2.) "So that" Christ may "Make His home" in your heart."
(Eph. 3:17)
 - 3.) "Through faith" (Jn. 14:22-23)
2. Get Rooted and Grounded (Eph. 3:17-18)
 - a.) "In love" = Solidarity and security
 - b.) "That you . . . may have power . . ." (Eph. 3:18)
 - 1.) Power and vitality
3. Stop Living in Isolation (Eph. 3:18)
 - a.) The price of privacy is loneliness
 - b.) Openness and freedom
 - c.) Learn to relate to others - "Realize with all saints . . ."
4. Know the Love of Christ (Eph. 3:19)
 - a.) "That you may be filled with all the fullness of God"
 - 1.) A vessel "filled and flooded with God!"
5. The Secret to Recovery (Eph. 3:20-21)
 - a.) "God in you"
 - b.) Put your case in His hands

"Christ needs the Church to go and tell the world of His love and mercy. And, the church cannot do that until it members, joined together in fellowship, experience the limitless love of Christ."

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