## I. God desires to give us his strength

A. God strengthens us by his unlimited power

"We pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way; bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might." (Colossians 1:10-11)

- B. God strengthens us through his <u>Holy Spirit</u>
- C. God strengthens the inner person
- II. God desires for us to know him better

"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better." (Ephesians 1:17)

A. We must invite Christ to be at home in us

"To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory." (Colossians 1:27)

- B. We must trust Jesus with everything
- C. We can build our lives on the foundation of God's love

"And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him." (I John 4:16)

D. We can understand the scope of the love of Christ

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us that we should be called the children of God! And that is what we are!" (I John 3:1)

- E. We can personally <u>experience</u> the love of Christ
- F. We must be completely <u>surrendered</u> to God
- III. God desires to do great things
  - A. God is able to do more than can be measured

"Ah, Sovereign Lord, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you." (Jeremiah 32:17)

B. God is able to do more than we <u>ask for</u>

"I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. " (John 14:12)

C. God is able to do more than we imagine

"Jesus replied, 'I tell you the truth, if you have faith and do not doubt, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, 'Go throw yourself into the sea', and it will be done." (Matthew 21:21)

D. God is able to do great things through us

"I can do everything through him who gives me strength." (Philippians 4:13)

E. God deserves all the glory