

GOD'S CONTINUED PURPOSE FOR CPC
Ephesians 1:17-23

I. KNOW HIM: v17

Epignosko: fuller, deeper knowledge:

- God of our Lord Jesus Christ: revealed in Him
- Father of Glory: transcendent, but so accessible

Do you know Him better? Love Him more?

Our goals as we go to Cape:

We are SO BUSY. See God's chief purpose for us here.

What does it take to make us *desperate* to know Him?

II. KNOW OUR HOPE: v18

Eyes of heart: see spiritual Reality:

- The hope of His Calling
- The riches of His Inheritance

Among/for the saints

- New heavens & earth of perfect unspoiled beauty
- With all the saints, reunited in perfect fellowship
- You (!) like Christ: no more sin, shame, failings
- See HIM as He is: unable to take our eyes off Him!

Begin to taste this now: v13-14. So 4:1: BE what you ARE

Seeing this hope causes us to live differently

Are you more transformed by the Gospel now than....?

III. KNOW HIS POWER: v19-23

The power of

- His **Resurrection**
- His **Ascension**

The **extent** of that power:

- Resurrection: from dead
- Ascension: above ALL powers, here & forever!

All under Him as Head of Church: for US!

We are His Body, the expression of His fullness!

How have we seen His power:

A. Facilities

- ✓ Meeting House
- ✓ Stonehouse
- ✓ Howard Community College
- ✓ Lewis property
- ✓ Phase 2

B. Finances

C. Ministries such as Upward, Homesteaders, Habitat

D. Conversions

E. Changed lives

Areas I long for your future:

✓ More _____ : II Corinthians 12:9-10 humility, dependence

✓ More _____ : so God grows larger in our eyes

More _____ in Howard County: larger vision that we simply cannot accomplish alone