

## 05/16/15 - Giving The Best Gift

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Ephesians 3:14-21

What is the best gift you ever received? When I was in seminary and we had little money, we made our Christmas and birthday gifts. Perhaps it was a hand-sewn garment or a home-baked treat. Sometimes the gift was time?a promise to clean out a closet or to do a household chore; simple gifts to show our love without an outlay of money. We tried to teach our children to give willingly of themselves to help somebody else.

In Ephesians 3:16, Paul reminds us of the greatest gift Jesus offers us?to know for sure that we belong to Him. Paul's prayer in Ephesians 3 was not only for that church, but for all believers, and that includes us!

Jesus willingly gave Himself. Paul wanted all Christians to realize the love of Christ and to live it abundantly. God is able to do much more than we can even ask or think, and He willingly works through us if we allow Him to do so. We can be filled with all His fullness. All we need do is accept his wonderful gift.

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