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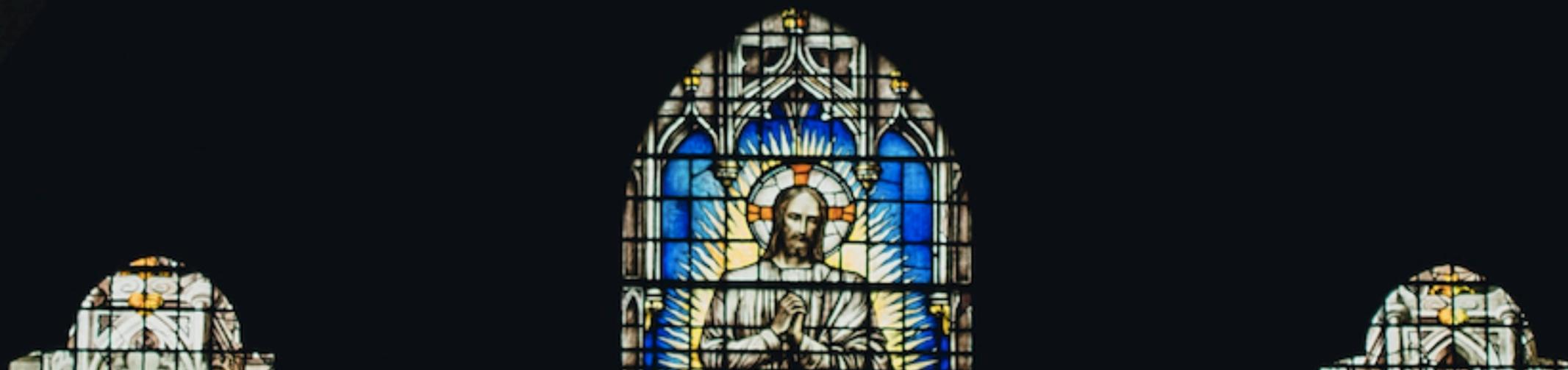
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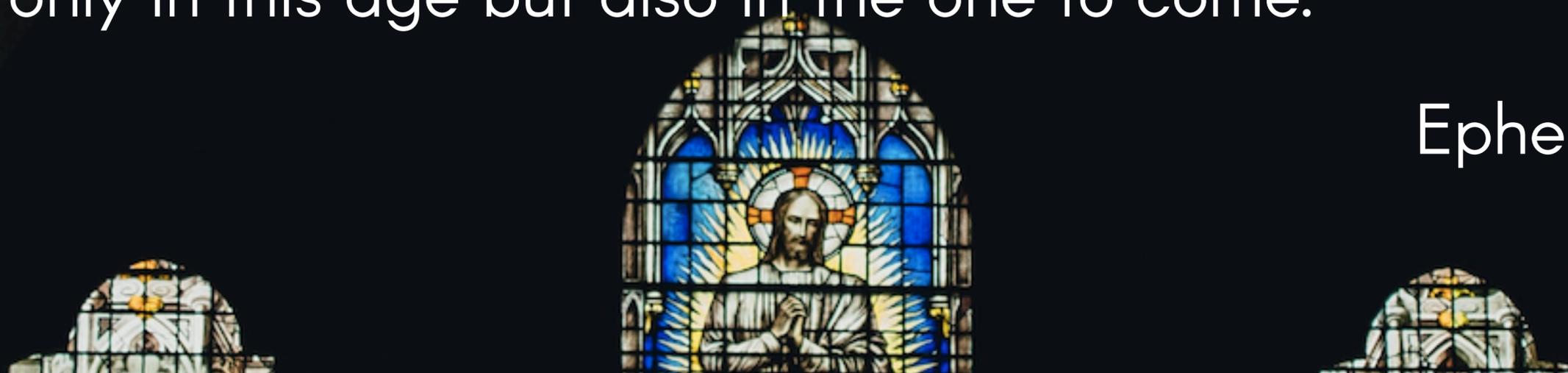
THE LETTER TO THE  
EPHESIANS

PAUL'S LETTER TO THE EPHESIANS:  
THE POWER TO HOPE.



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Ephesians 1:15–21

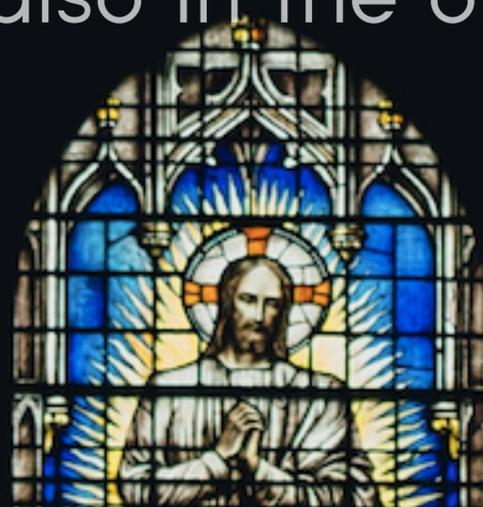


FAITH, HOPE & LOVE ARE THREE THINGS PAUL OFTEN USES IN CONCERT WITH ONE ANOTHER TO DESCRIBE THE LIFE OF THOSE WHO FOLLOW THE WAY OF JESUS. (1THES 1:3 ; 1COR 13:13)



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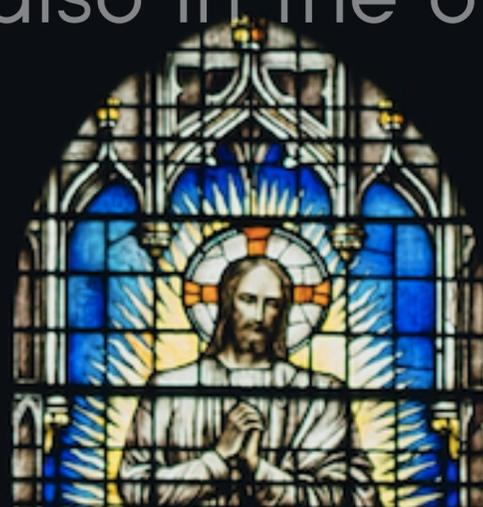
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RECOGNITION LEADS TO PRAYER. PAUL CONVEYS GRATITUDE WHILE CALLING OUT FOR MORE.



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# PAUL'S PRAYER

A CONTINUAL IMPARTATION OF WISDOM; A REVELATION OF WHO GOD IS. ENLIGHTENING THE EYES OF THE HEART.



NOW THAT OUR **HEARTS ARE ENLIGHTENED** WE ARE ABLE TO SEE FAR MORE CLEARLY THE GOD WHO IS AT WORK IN US & AROUND US.

THIS IS AN ONGOING AND PERPETUAL WORK OF THE SPIRIT.



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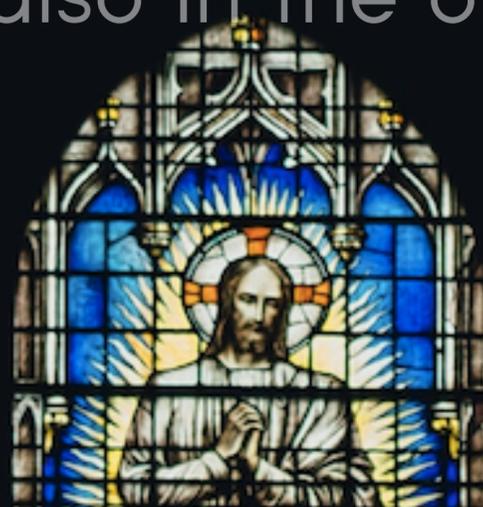
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WE ARE CALLED TO LIVE LIVES INFORMED BY & SATURATED IN THE **HOPE** OF LIFE IN THE SPIRIT.



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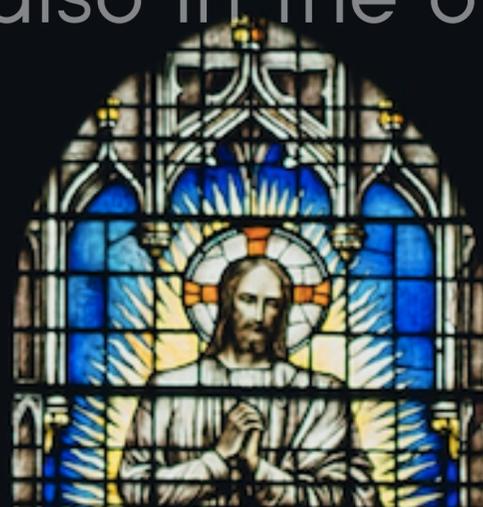
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THREE WORDS COME TOGETHER TO GIVE A PICTURE OF THIS POWER THAT IS ALIVE & ACTIVE.



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and what is the immeasurable greatness of his **power**<sup>(dynamis)</sup> toward us who believe, according to the **working**<sup>(energeian)</sup> **of**<sup>(kratous)</sup> his **great might**<sup>(ischyos)</sup> that he **worked** in Christ when he raised him from the dead



**ENERGEIAN** - ENERGETIC POWER, REAL ACTUAL POWER

**KRATOUS** - A POWER THAT OVERCOMES RESISTANCE

**ISCHYOS** - A WORD MEANING INHERENT STRENGTH



AS WE SEE MORE CLEARLY WHO GOD IS AND WE LIVE INTO THE HOPE HE HAS MADE POSSIBLE FOR US, THE MORE BOLD & ENERGIZING OUR EXPECTATION OF OUR PRAYER LIFE CAN BECOME.

WHEN WE PRAY, GOD CAN MOVE IN REAL, ACTUAL, POWERFUL WAYS. GOD RESPONDS TO THE PRAYERS OF HIS PEOPLE.





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