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16 *I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers,*

17 *that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him,*

18 *having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,*

19 *and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might*

20 *that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,*

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What's another *major* doctrine found in **1:14? Jn.14:16; Ps.103:6-14**

The doctrine of 'Eternal Security' (Perseverance of the saints). Once saved, always saved!!

What is another way of saying this truth? **Rom.8:1-2; Ps.103:1-5; IJn.1:5-10**

After salvation there is no condemnation for us! But when we sin, confession is required!

What were two reasons Paul gave thanks for them? **1:15; Jn.13:34-35; Col.1:4; I Thess.4:9**

Paul had heard of their 1) faith in the Lord Jesus and their 2) love toward all the saints.

Resulting from this, what action did Paul take? **1:16 ; Rom.1:8, 9:1; II Thess.1:3; Col.1:3**

He never stopped giving the Lord thanks for them and they were constantly in his prayers

And what was one thing he prayed for them? **1:17 ; Lu.2:14; ICor.2:8; Jn.14:26; Col.1:9**

The Father of glory, may give the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in knowledge of Him!

What would be the result? **1:18a; Ps.119:18; Lu.24:45; Acts16:14, 26:18; IICor.4:4; ICor.2:14**

Having the eyes of their hearts (mind, soul, heart) enlightened. This is where we SEE!

And what do we then *know*? **1:18b, 1:14, 4:1,4, 2:12; Rom.8:28-30**

What is the hope to which He has called you! And the riches of His glorious inheritance...

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