

Ephesians 1:16

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;

Analysis

[Verse 1:16 text would be quoted here] This verse in Ephesians chapter 1 addresses theological theme. Key Greek terms include to be determined.

The theological focus is doctrinal emphasis, demonstrating Paul's emphasis on the cosmic Christ and the church as His body/bride/temple. The phrase emphasizes union with Christ as the foundation of all spiritual blessings.

Historical Context

Written during Paul's Roman imprisonment (60-62 CE), this verse in chapter 1 reflects the circular letter's purpose to multiple Asian churches. Ephesus was a major center of pagan worship (Artemis cult) and early Christianity, making Paul's teachings on spiritual warfare and Christian unity particularly relevant.

Related Passages

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 1:16 about verse-specific transform your daily walk with Christ?
2. What does this verse teach about theological theme that challenges modern Christian practice?
3. How can you apply the theological principle of doctrinal emphasis in your relationships and witness?

Interlinear Text

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| οὐ | παύομαι | εὐχαριστῶν | ὑπὲρ | ὑμῶν | μνείαν | ὑμῶν |
| not | Cease | to give thanks | for | of you | mention | of you |
| G3756 | G3973 | G2168 | G5228 | G5216 | G3417 | G5216 |
| ποιούμενος | ἐπὶ | τῶν | προσευχῶν | μου | | |
| making | in | G3588 | prayers | my | | |
| G4160 | G1909 | | G4335 | G3450 | | |

Additional Cross-References

Colossians 1:9 (Prayer): For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

Colossians 1:3 (Prayer): We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,

2 Thessalonians 1:3 (Parallel theme): We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth;

1 Thessalonians 1:2 (Kingdom): We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers;

1 Thessalonians 5:17 (Prayer): Pray without ceasing.

1 Samuel 12:23 (Prayer): Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way:

Isaiah 62:6 (Parallel theme): I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the LORD, keep not silence,

1 Samuel 7:8 (Parallel theme): And the children of Israel said to Samuel, Cease not to cry unto the LORD our God for us, that he will save us out of the hand of the Philistines.

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