## A Life That Is Full Of The Fullness Of God

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[0:00] The 25th of February. A life that is full of the fullness of God. Our passage is the letter to the Ephesians, chapter 3, verse 19, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Paul the Apostle was very fond of the word fullness. He tells us that the fullness of deity, Godness, dwelt in Jesus Christ. Colossians 2, verse 9 and 119. He tells us also that the fullness of Christ dwells in the church.

And here in Ephesians, Paul prays that believers in Jesus will become mature in their faith so that they will be filled with the fullness of God. That is mind-boggling. The word fullness means completeness. You don't add anything more to it.

So how can a Christian be filled with all the fullness of God? It is easy for us to think of Jesus being filled with God's fullness, but me, an ordinary Christian?

Well, here are some things to note. First of all, this fullness is given to us. See Colossians 2, verse 10. It is God's gift. Complete salvation.

[1:13] Then, Paul wants us to enjoy this fullness more and more. The Christian life is a full life. As Jesus himself says, I came that they, believers, may have life and have it to the full.

John 10, 10. It is in John's Gospel that we have another reference to this word fullness. Otherwise, we only find it in Paul's writings in the Bible. It is in John 1, verse 18, where we read, And from Jesus' fullness we have all received grace upon grace.

The Christian life is a complete, abundant life. The gift of a loving, gracious Saviour. No wonder Paul goes on to say in Ephesians 3, 21, To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.