

# **The Second Most Important Verse in the Bible**

## **Ephesians 3:17-19**

New King James Version (Recommended for memorization).

That Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height— to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Amplified Bible

May Christ through your faith [actually] dwell (settle down, abide, make His permanent home) in your hearts! May you be rooted deep in love and founded securely on love, That you may have the power and be strong to apprehend and grasp with all the saints [God's devoted people, the experience of that love] what is the breadth and length and height and depth [of it]; [That you may really come] to know [practically, through experience for yourselves] the love of Christ, which far surpasses mere knowledge [without experience]; that you may be filled [through all your being] unto all the fullness of God [may have the richest measure of the divine Presence, and become a body wholly filled and flooded with God Himself]!

Mirror Bible [paraphrase from the Greek by Francois du Toit]

This will ignite your faith to fully grasp the reality of the indwelling Christ. You are rooted and founded in love. Love is your invisible inner source, just like the root system of a tree and the foundation of a building. (*The dimensions of your inner person exceed any other capacity that could possibly define you.*) Love is your reservoir of super human strength which causes you to see everyone equally sanctified in the context of the limitless extent of love's breadth and length, and the extremities of its dimensions in depth and height. (. . .) I desire for you to become intimately acquainted with the love of Christ on the deepest possible level; far beyond the reach of a mere academic, intellectual graps. Within the scope of this equation God finds the ultimate expression of Himself in you. (*So that you might be filled with all the fullness of God! Awaken to the consciousness of His closeness! Separation is an illusion! Oneness was God's idea all along! He desires to express Himself through your touch, your voice, your presence; He is so happy to dwell in you! There is no place in the universe where He would rather be!*)

The Speaking of Christ [paraphrase by Daniel Yordy]

The Lord Jesus Christ, ascended above the heavens, dwells in our hearts through faith and not by any outward appearance. We, thrusting ourselves deliberately and absolutely into the Love that fills our hearts to overflowing, seize hold of the extent in every possible direction through which God Himself, Love in Person, reveals Himself through us; we KNOW (eternal life) the love of Christ which is beyond all knowledge. We are filled with all the fullness of God. Everything that is God in Person in all that God is resides in fullness in every particle of our being, spirit, soul, and body.