

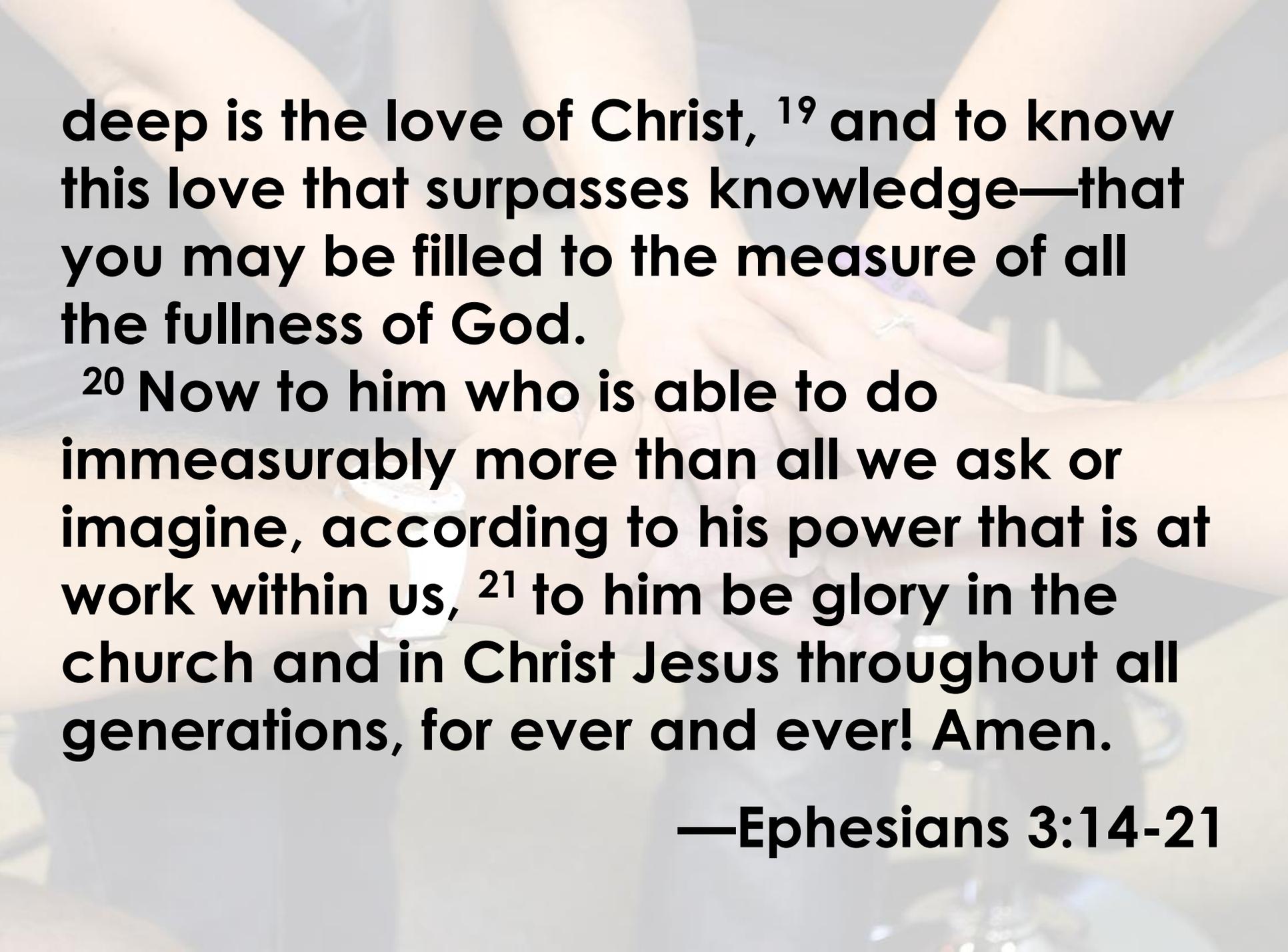


A photograph of several people's hands stacked together in a circle, symbolizing unity and prayer. The hands are of various skin tones and are positioned in a way that suggests a group hug or a collective gesture of support. The background is slightly blurred, showing what appears to be a church setting with pews and a microphone stand.

**PRAYERFUL
INTIMACY**

**PRAYERS FROM
EPHESIANS**

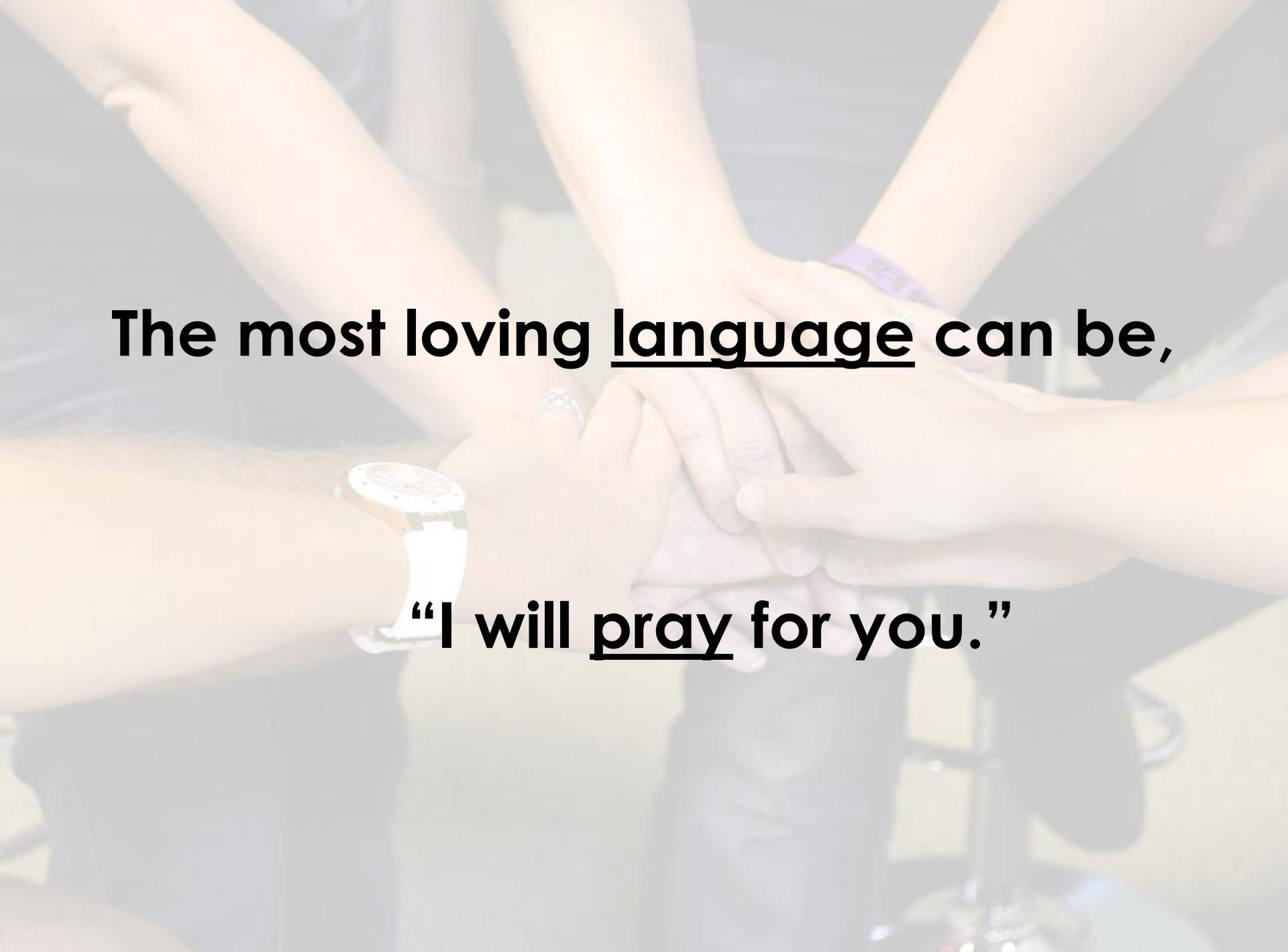
**¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father,
¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and
on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that
out of his glorious riches he may
strengthen you with power through his
Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ
may dwell in your hearts through faith.
And I pray that you, being rooted and
established in love, ¹⁸ may have power,
together with all the Lord's holy people, to
grasp how wide and long and high and**



deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

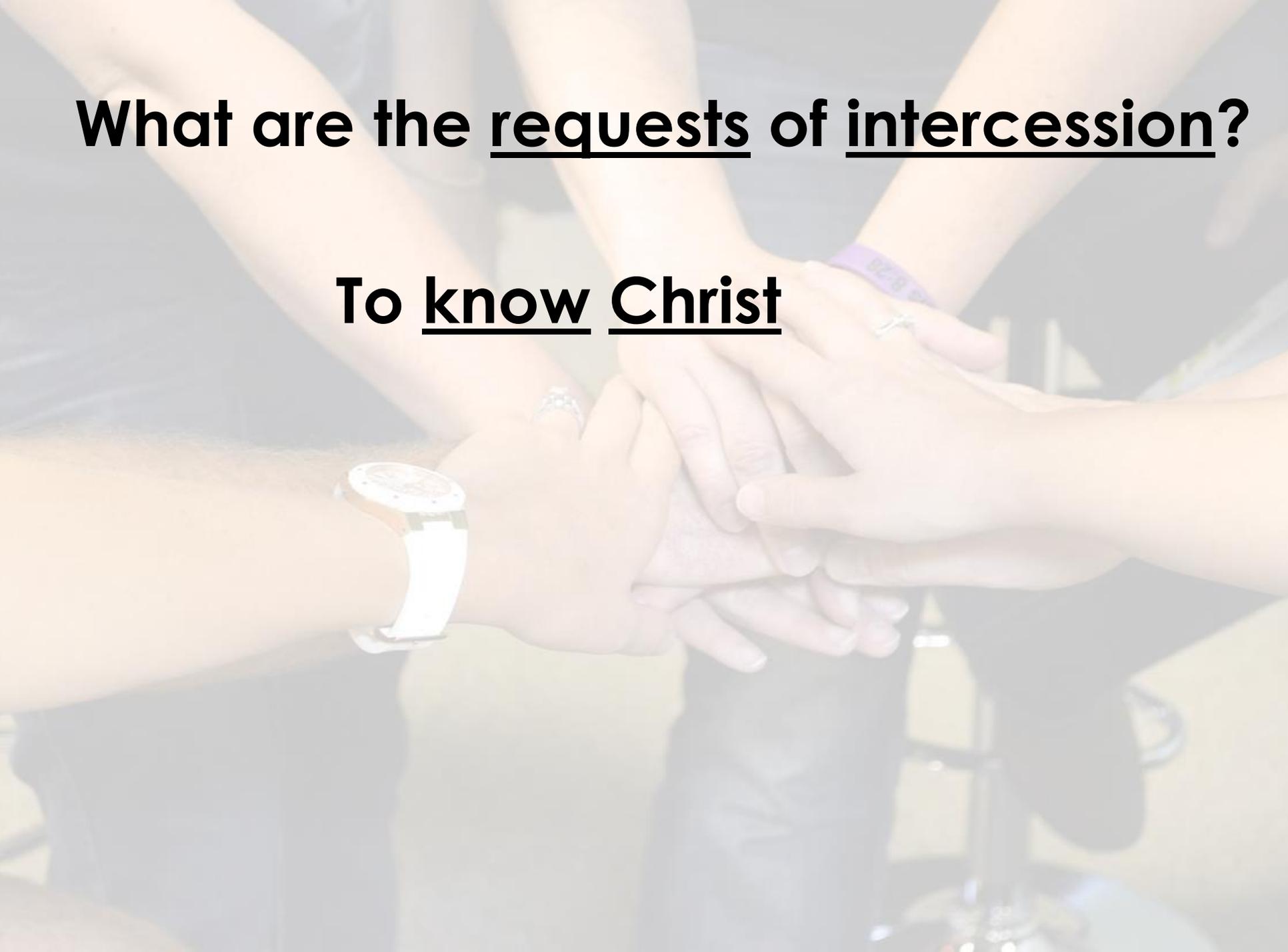
²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

—Ephesians 3:14-21

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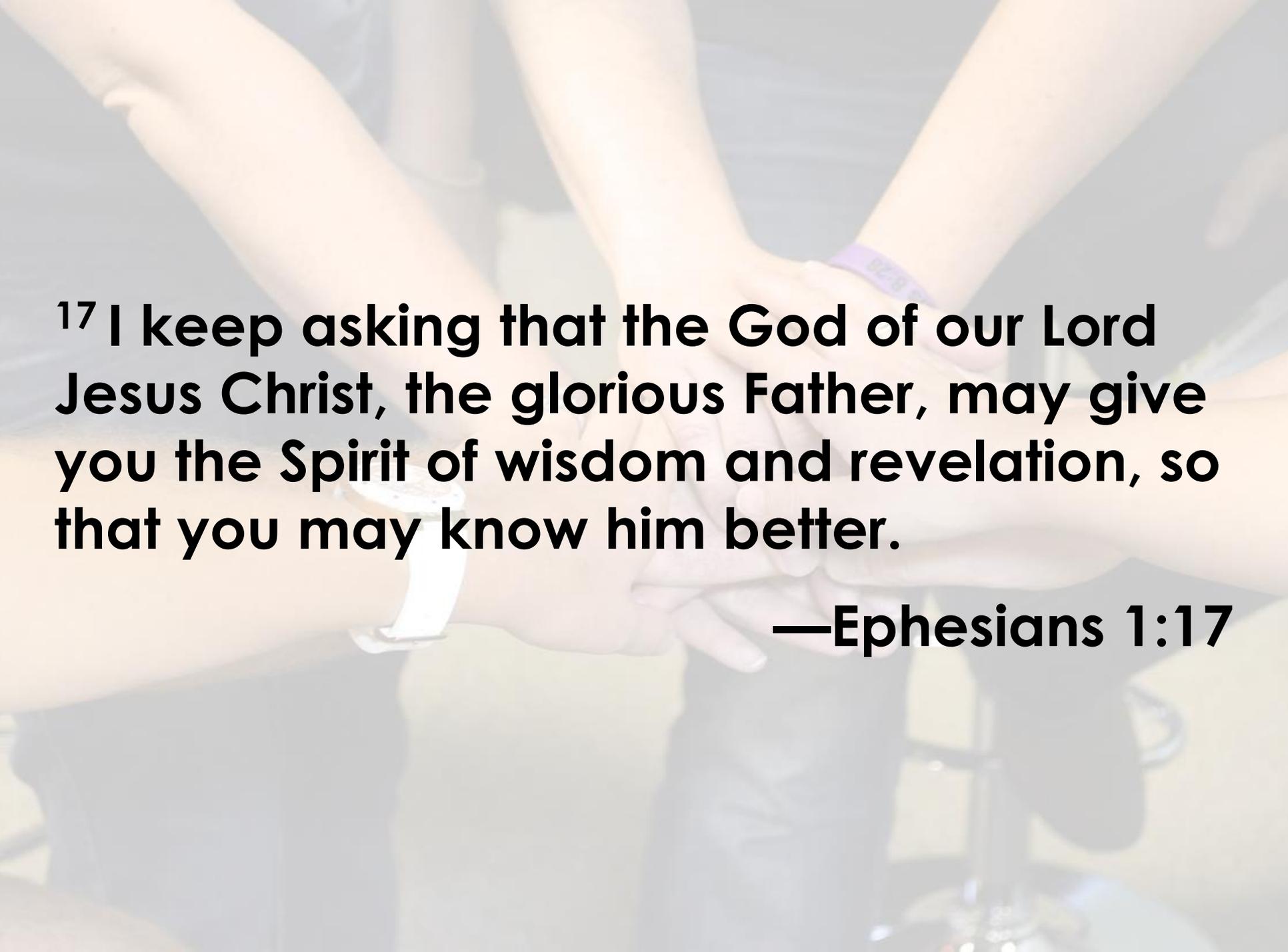
The most loving language can be,

“I will pray for you.”

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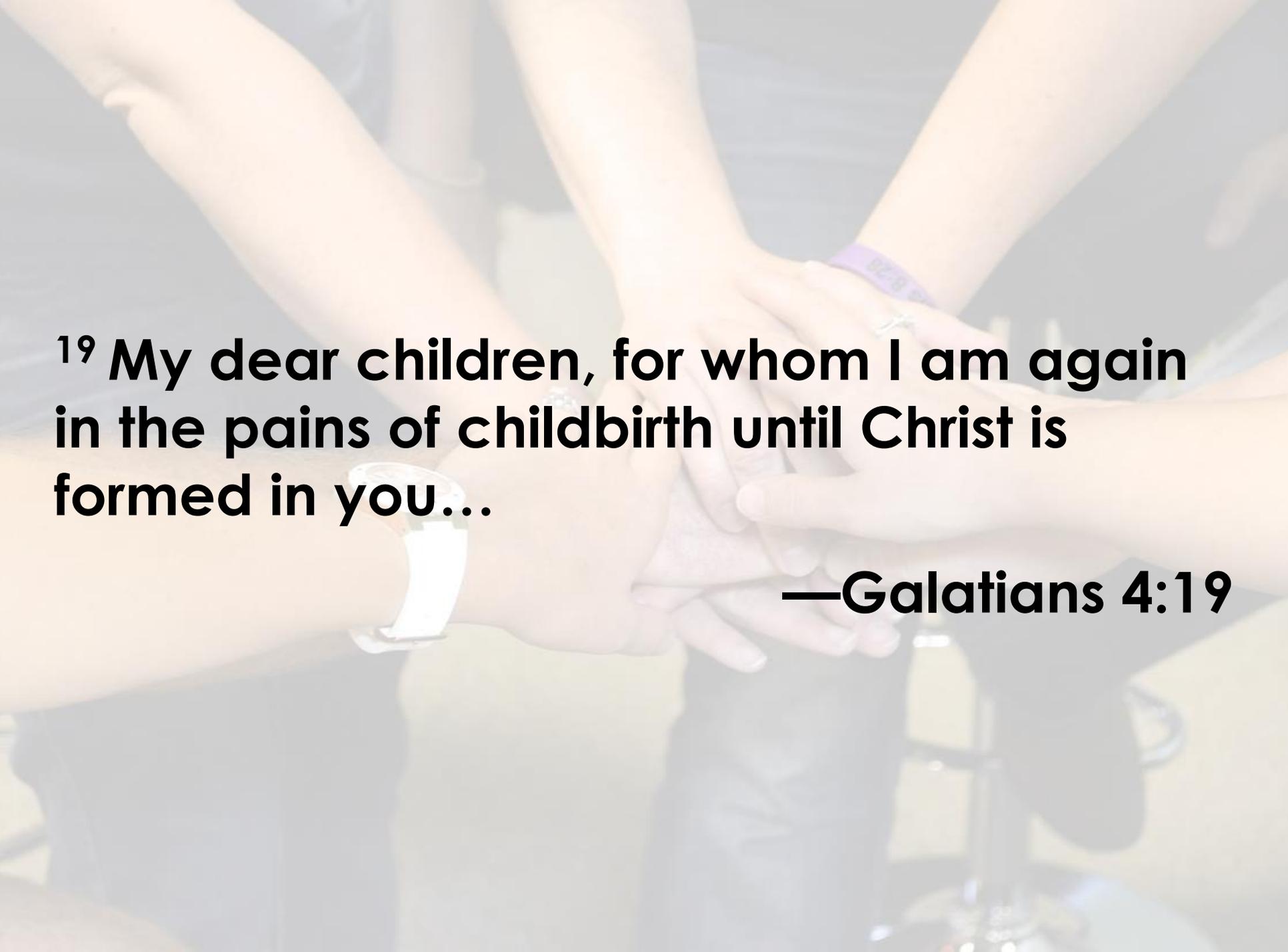
What are the requests of intercession?

To know Christ

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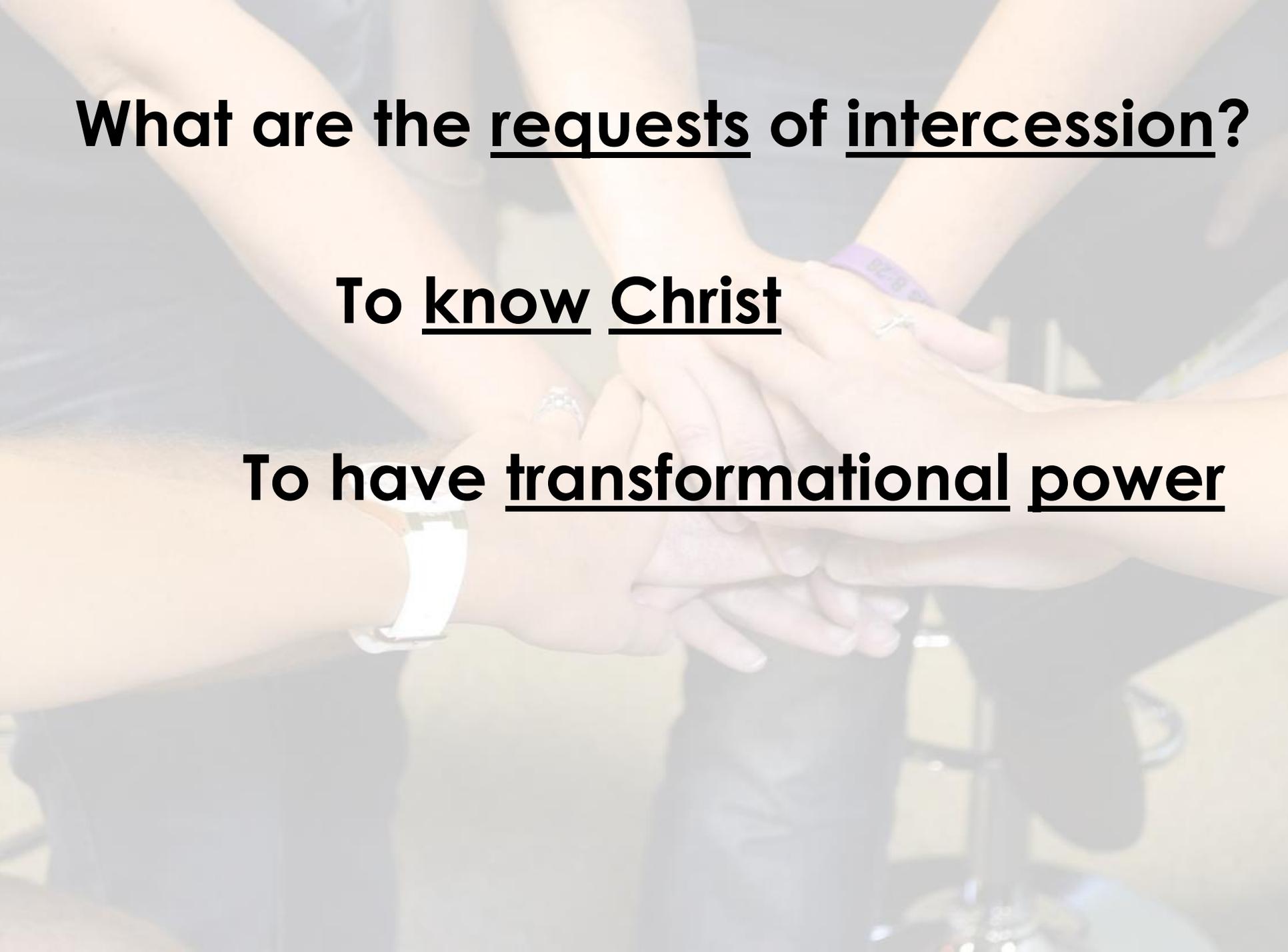
¹⁷ I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.

—Ephesians 1:17

A photograph showing several people's hands stacked together in a circle, symbolizing unity and support. The hands are of various skin tones and are wearing different accessories like a white watch, a purple wristband, and a ring. The background is blurred, suggesting an indoor setting.

**1⁹ My dear children, for whom I am again
in the pains of childbirth until Christ is
formed in you...**

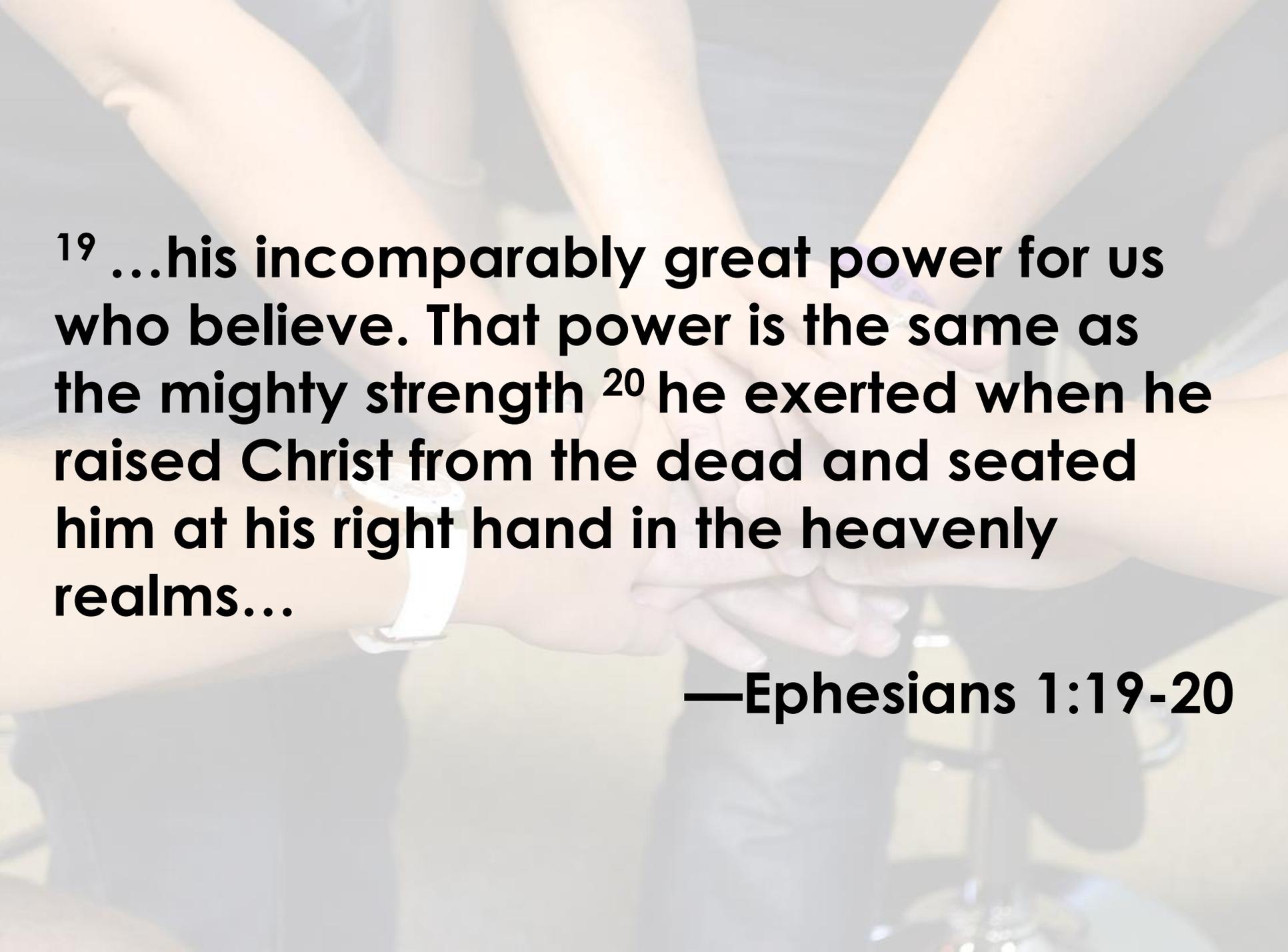
—Galatians 4:19



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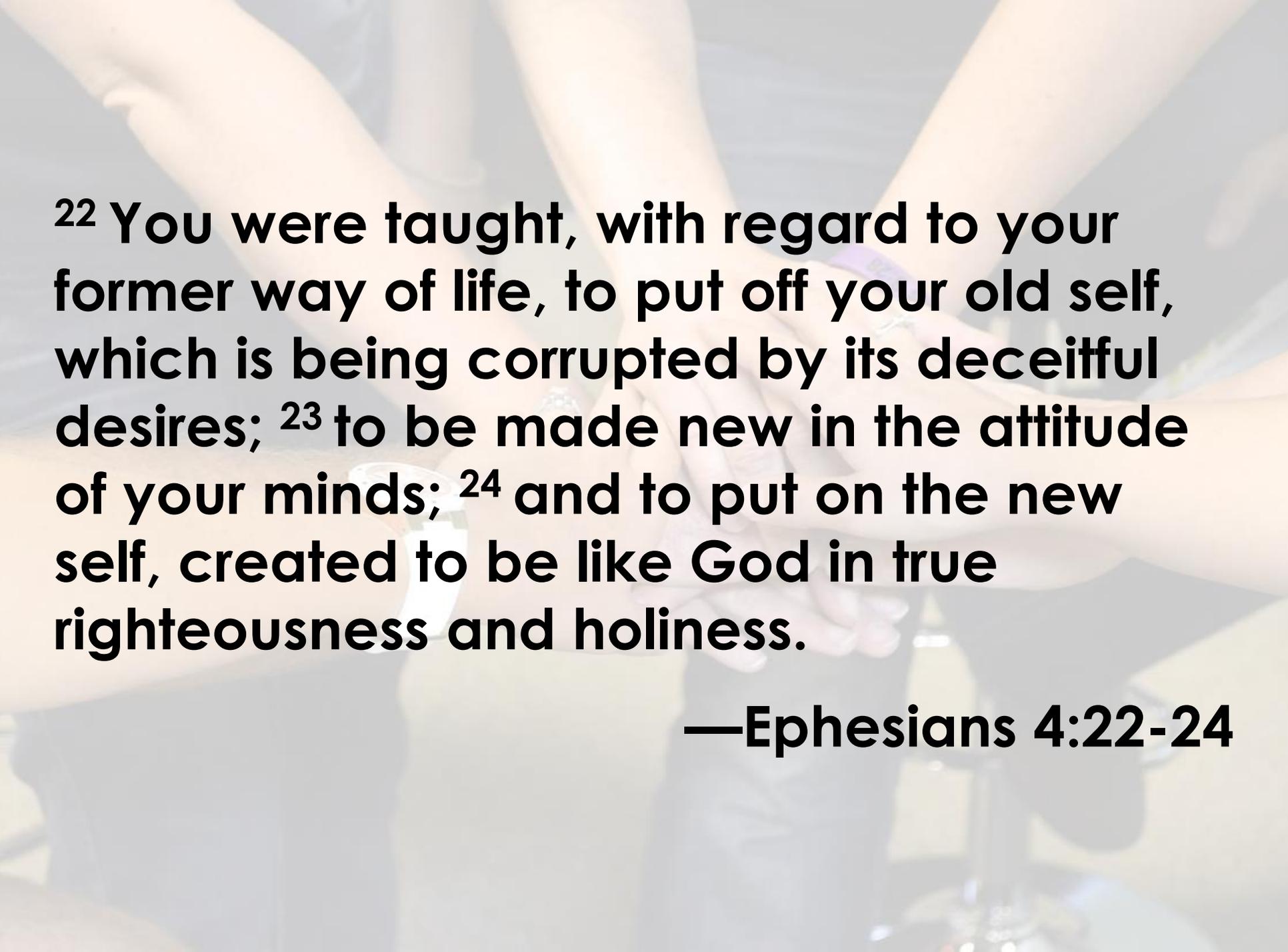
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To have transformational power



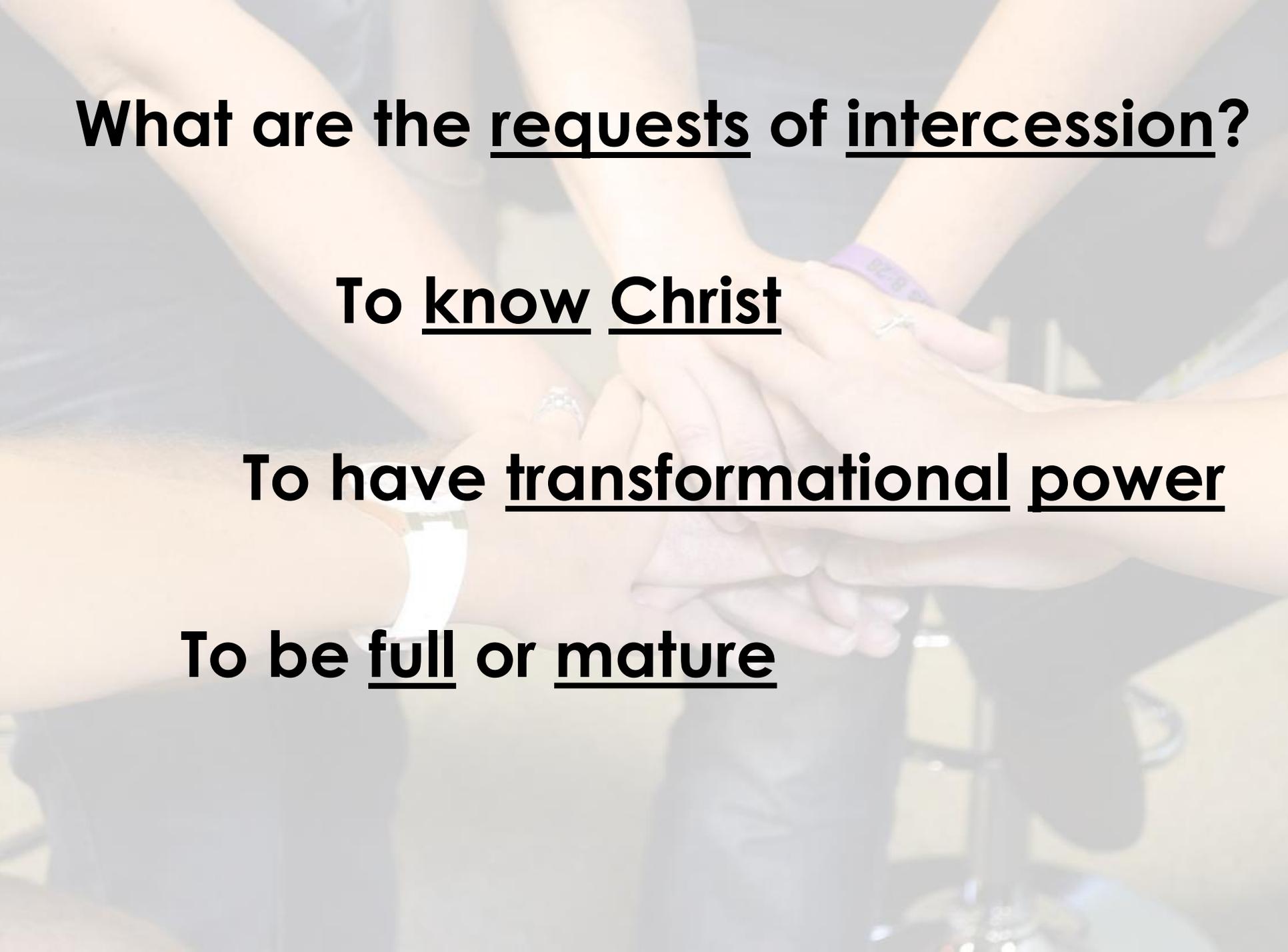
19 ...his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms...

—Ephesians 1:19-20

A group of people holding hands in a circle, symbolizing unity and support. The image is a close-up, slightly blurred photograph of several hands of different skin tones clasped together in a circle. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light color. The text is overlaid on the image in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

²² You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; ²³ to be made new in the attitude of your minds; ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

—Ephesians 4:22-24

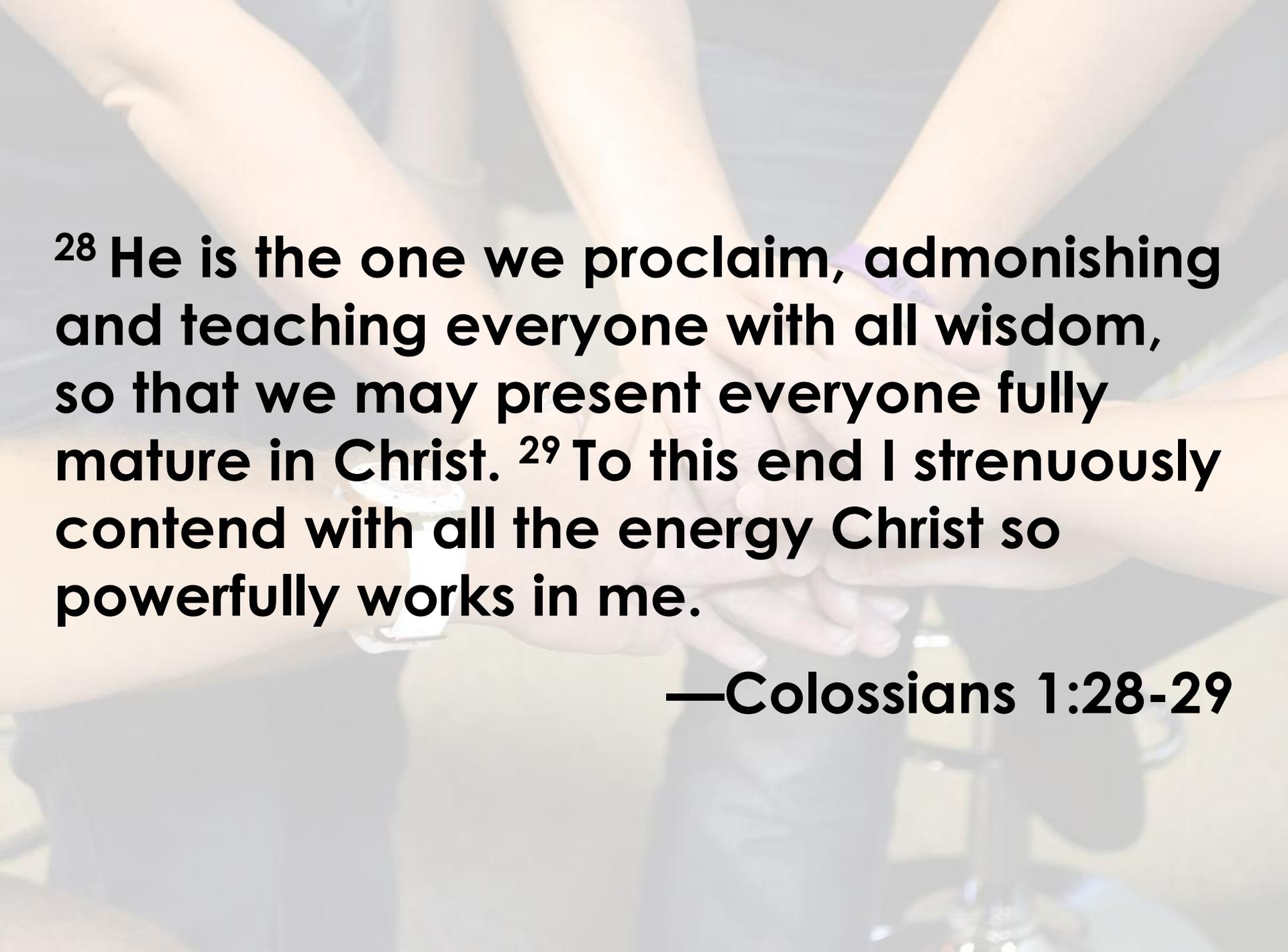


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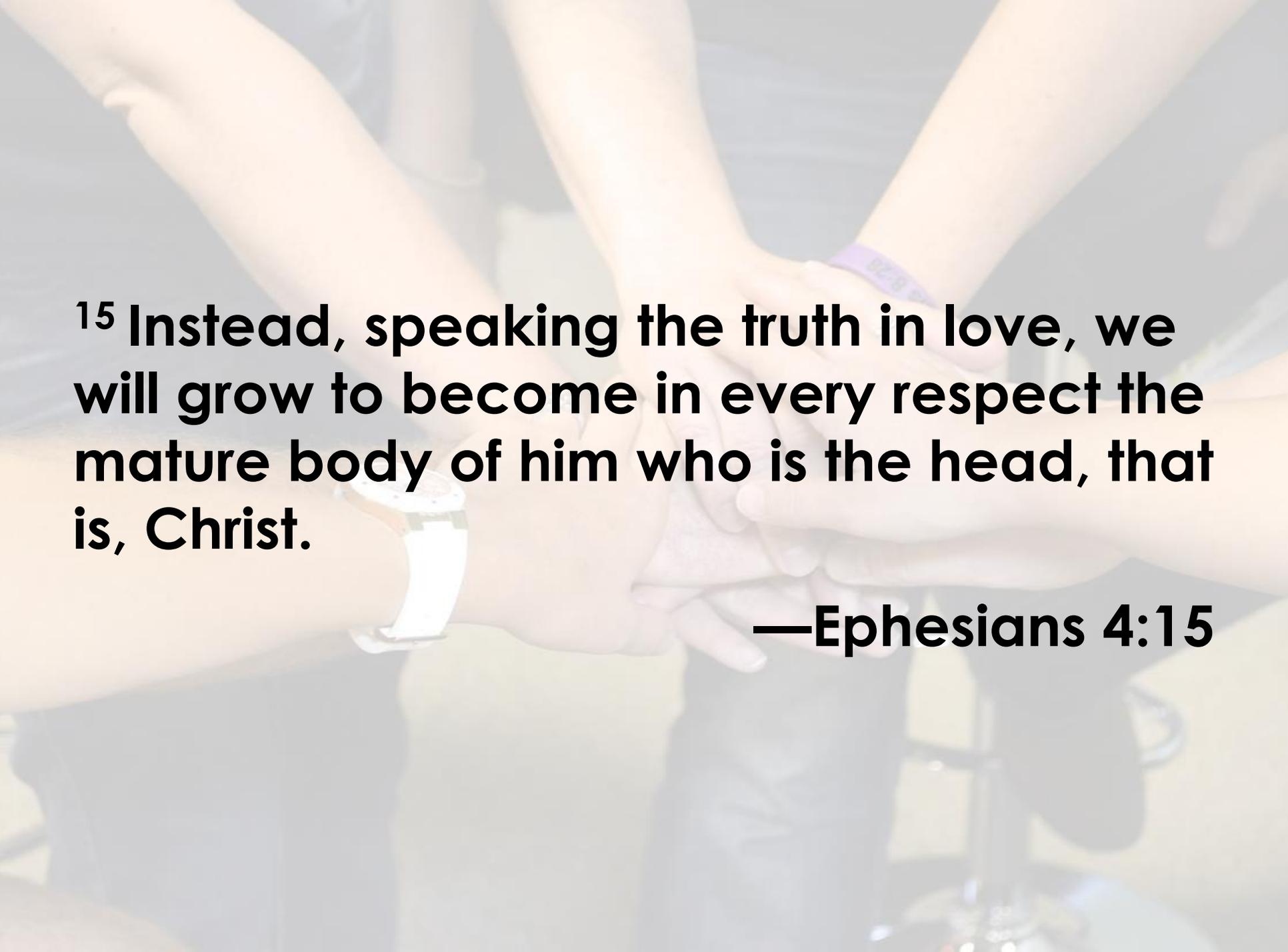
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To be full or mature



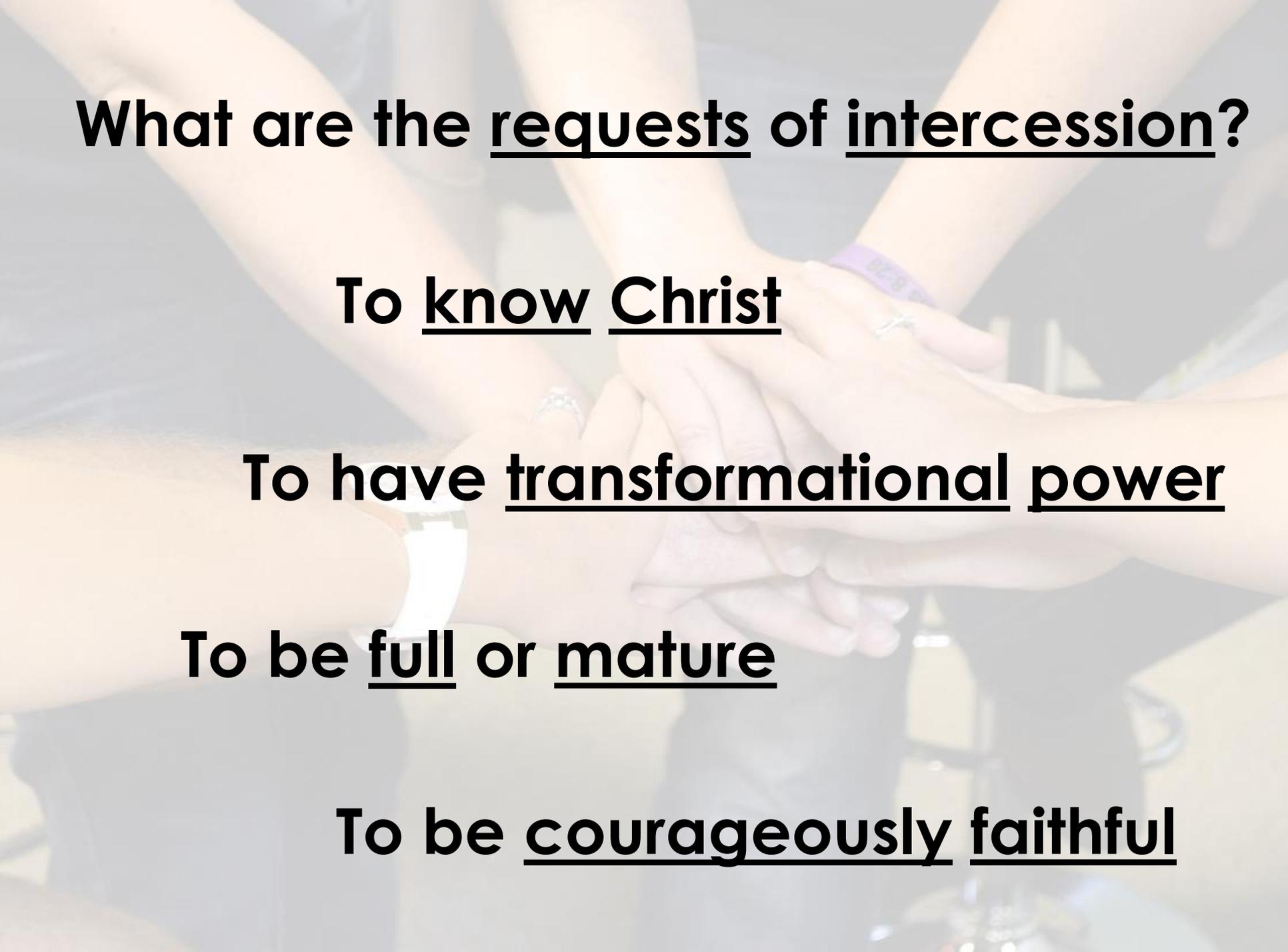
²⁸ He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. ²⁹ To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me.

—Colossians 1:28-29

A group of people's hands are clasped together in a circle, symbolizing unity and support. The hands are of various skin tones, and some are wearing wristbands or watches. The background is a soft, out-of-focus indoor setting.

¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.

—Ephesians 4:15



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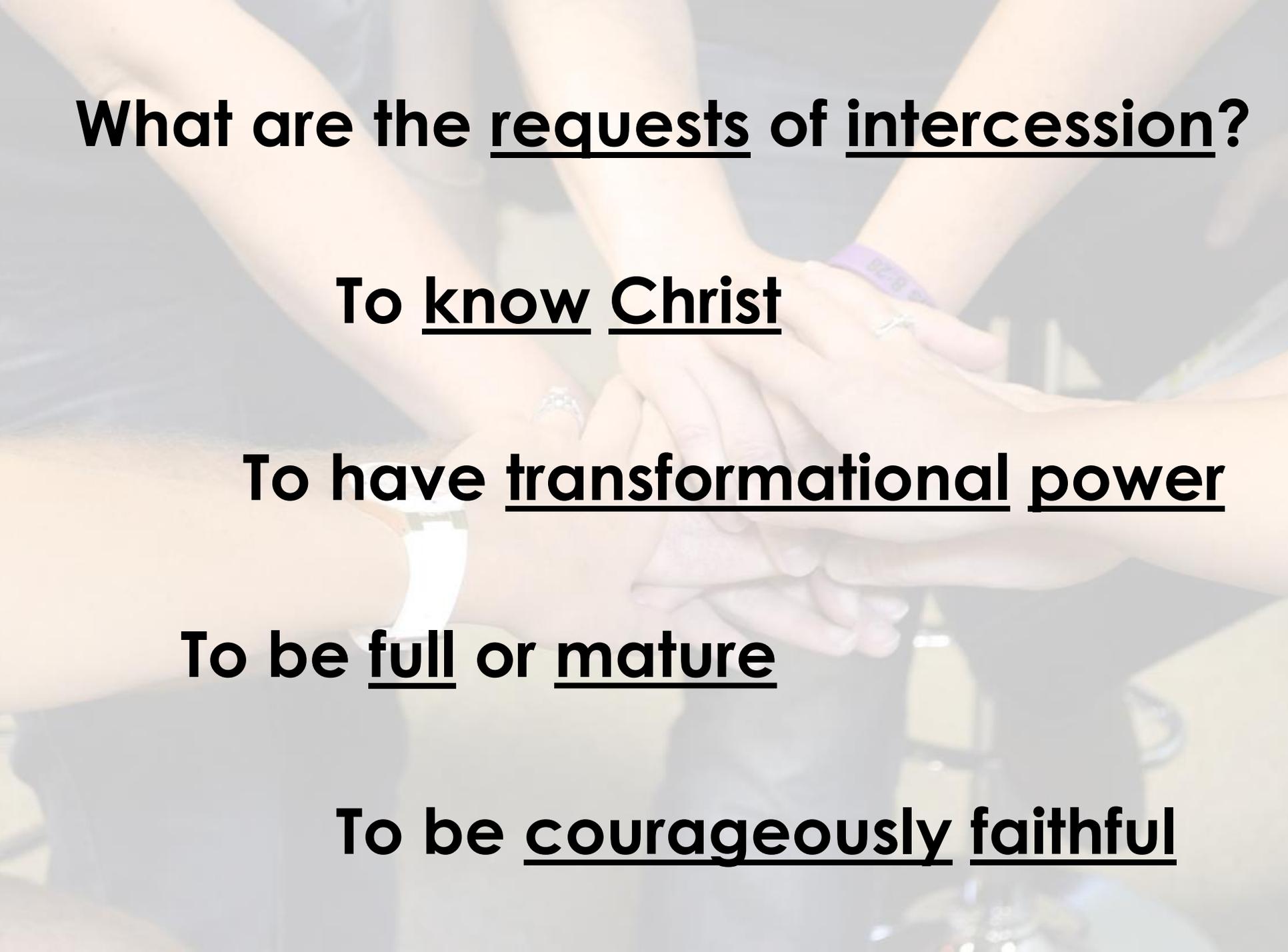
To be full or mature

To be courageously faithful

1⁸ And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

1⁹ Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

—Ephesians 6:18-20



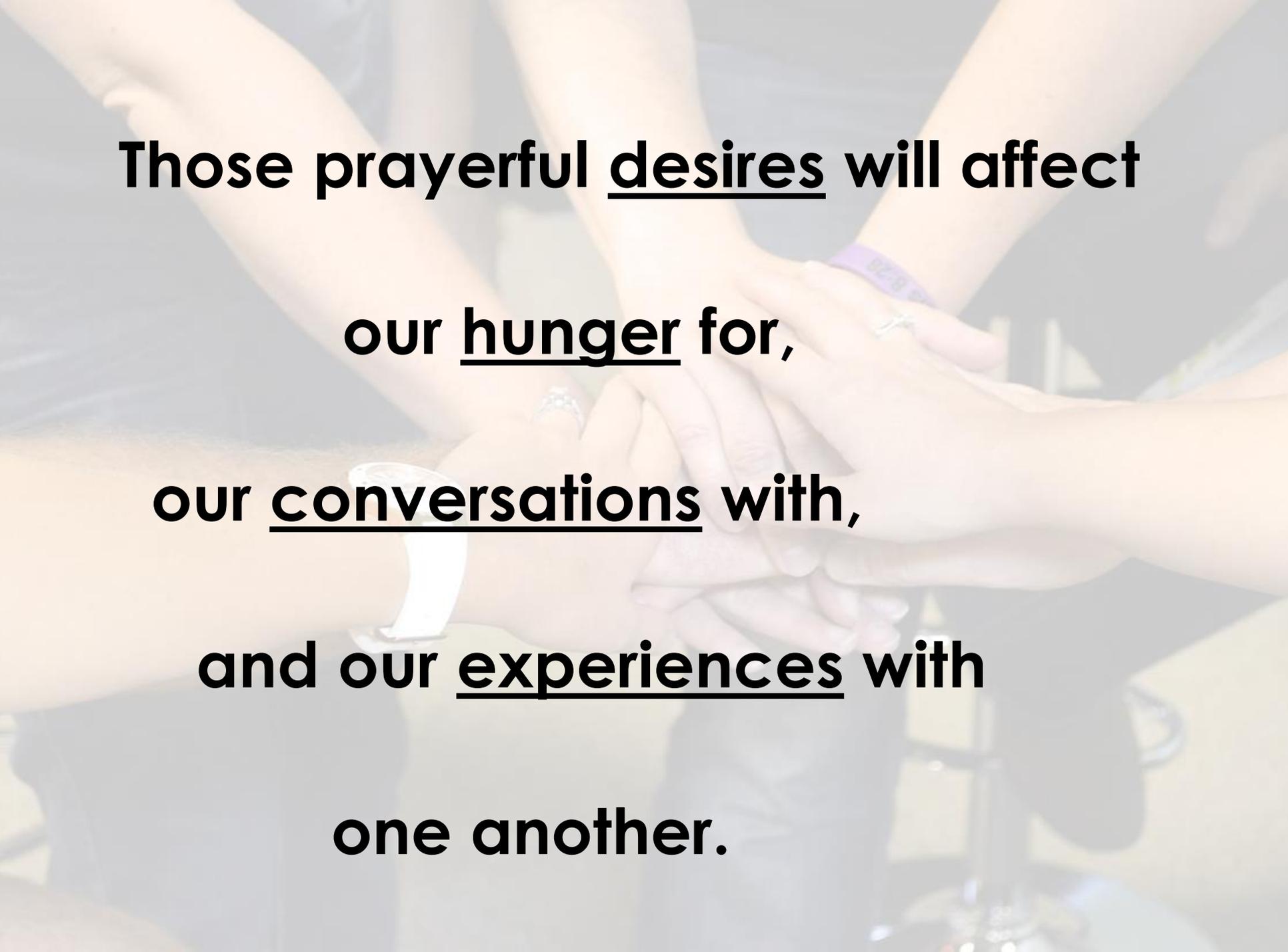
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Those prayerful desires will affect

our hunger for,

our conversations with,

and our experiences with

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