Teach Us to Number Our Days

In Paul's last words (last words always carry added weight!) to the Ephesian elders he said:

"And now I commend you (like a bank deposit) to God (entrusting you to His protection and care) and to the Word of His grace, which is continually (daily) able (inherently powerful) to build you up and to give you (your rightful) inheritance among all those who are sanctified (are holy, are set apart in and for Christ Jesus our Lord)." (Acts 20:32-note)

Paul's encouraging words beg the question - Who is it Who builds us up? Is this not God the Holy Spirit, Who (so to speak) is the "Chief Operating Officer" (COO) of the Trinity, the One Who uses our daily intake (cf Mt 4:4, Ps 1:2-<u>note</u>) of the Word of His grace and thereby miraculously, supernaturally transforms us from glory to glory into the image of God's Son, Christ Jesus (2 Cor 3:18-<u>note</u>)? I think indeed this is the sweet Spirit Who is the "Construction Superintendent" in charge of our daily, progressive sanctification into greater degrees of Christ-likeness (1 Peter 1:2-<u>note</u>, cf Ro 12:2-<u>note</u>). This begs an important application question - Am I daily seeking to be filled with the Spirit of grace (Heb 10:29b-<u>note</u>, Eph 5:18-<u>note</u>) and the Word of His grace, allowing it to dwell in me richly (Col 3:16--<u>note</u>) so that the Spirit might have His way with me throughout my busy day, using even the problems and pressures to conform me to the image of His Son (Ro 8:29-<u>note</u>)? If not, I am missing the "opportunity of a lifetime!" May each of us beg God's Spirit to TEACH US TO NUMBER OUR DAYS (not our years) so that when all is said and done we might be enabled to present to Jesus at the Bema Seat (2 Cor 5:10-<u>note</u>) a heart that has walked wisely in this world (Ps 90:12<u>note</u>), during the days of our life whether they contain seventy years, or if due to strength, eighty years (Ps 90:10).

LORD PLEASE TEACH US TO NUMBER OUR DAYS THAT WE MAY PRESENT TO YOU A HEART OF WISDOM for Your glory. Amen

Play this simple song Teach Us to Number Our Days