

## **Our Present Condition**

Ephesians 2:4-10  
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### **I. Our Past Condition vv.1-3**

- A. Dead in Sin v.1
- B. Controlled by the World v.2
- C. Controlled by the Flesh v.3

### **II. Our Present Position vv.4-10**

- A. Loved by God v.4  
Romans 5:6-10
- B. Alive to God v.5
- C. Seated in the Heavens v.6
  - 1. Philippians 3:20
  - 2. 1 Peter 2:11
  - 3. Colossians 3:1-4
- D. Object Lessons for God's Glory v.7
- E. Saved by Grace through Faith vv.8-9
- F. Saved **UNTO** Good Works v.10
  - 1. 2 Corinthians 5:17
  - 2. Philippians 2:13
  - 3. Titus 2:11-14

## **The New Union**

Ephesians 2:11-18  
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### **I. The Gentile's Former Condition vv.11-12**

- A. Without - the condition v.12
  - 1. Christ - Messiah
  - 2. Citizenship
  - 3. Covenants
  - 4. Hope
  - 5. God

### **II. God's Remedy - Reconciliation vv.13-19**

- A. Enmity Between Jew and Gentile vv. 13-15
  - 1. The Cure - The Blood v. 13
  - 2. The Condition - The Wall v.14
  - 3. The Cause - The Law v.15
- B. Enmity Between Sinners and God vv.16-18
  - 1. The Problem - Sin
  - 2. The Progression
    - a. He is our peace v.14
    - b. He made peace v.15
    - c. He preached peace v.17

## **Where on Earth Does God Live?**

Ephesians 2:19-22  
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**Introduction:** God no longer lives in a building of wood  
Matthew 21:12,13; 23:27,38

### **I. We are Fellow Citizens v.19a**

### **II. We are Family Members v.19b**

### **III. We are God's Dwelling Place vv.20-22**

- A. Individually - 1 Corinthians 6:19,20
- B. Corporately - 1 Corinthians 3:16-17
  - 1. The Foundation - Apostles & Prophets
    - a. Ephesians 2:20
    - b. 1 Corinthians 3:11-12
  - 2. The Cornerstone - Jesus Christ  
Ephesians 2:20
  - 3. The Building - Living Stones  
1 Peter 2:1-5

## **What on Earth is God Doing?**

Ephesians 3:1-6  
EPH0010

**Introduction:** Matthew 16:18  
Definition of a Mystery - Romans 16:25-26

### **I. Paul's Perspective vv.1-2**

- A. A Prisoner of Jesus Christ
- B. A Prisoner of the Gentiles
  - 1. Acts 9
  - 2. Acts 11
  - 3. Acts 13
  - 4. Acts 21
- C. A Steward of God's Grace
  - 1. 1 Corinthians 9;16
  - 2. 1 Corinthians 4;12

### **II. God's Revelation vv.3-4**

### **III. The Mystery of the Church vv.5-6**

- A. The Definition
  - 1. Verse 5
  - 2. Colossians 1:24-26
- B. Jew and Gentile Together

## **Paul - the Apostle to the Gentiles**

Ephesians 3:7-13  
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### **I. Paul's Ministry v.7**

- A. Initiated by the Grace of God - 1 Corinthians 15:10
- B. Continued by the Power of God - Colossians 1:29

### **II. Paul's Humility v.8a**

### **III. Paul's Responsibility vv.8b-9**

- A. To Preach the Unsearchable Riches of Christ
- B. To Make Clear the Dispensing of the Mystery

### **IV. God's Purposes vv.10-12**

- A. Designed to Display His Wisdom
  - 1 Corinthians 11:10
  - 1 Peter 1:12
  - 1 Corinthians 4:9
  - 1 Timothy 5:21
- B. Planned in Eternity Pas
- C. Accomplished in Christ
- D. Granted Us Confident Access

### **V. Paul's Perspective v.13**

## **Making Christ Comfortable**

Ephesians 3:14-17a  
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### **Introduction:**

Paul's love for the church  
Christ's love for the church - Ephesians 5:25  
Prayer for Enlightenment - Ephesians 1:15-23  
Prayer for Enablement - Ephesians 3:14-21  
Philippians 1:8-11  
Colossians 1:9-1

### **I. The Goal of Paul's Prayer v.21**

### **II. The Reason for Paul's Prayer v.14**

- A. The Indwelling Triune God 2:22
- B. The Intense Desire of Paul  
Galatians 4:19

### **III. The Scope of God's Family v.15**

- A. John 8:44
- B. 1 John 3:8-10

### **IV. Paul's First Request vv.16-17a**

- A. "According to God's Riches"
  - B. To be strengthened by the Spirit - Galatians 4:16
    - 1. In the inner man - 2 Corinthians 4:16
    - 2. So Christ will be at home - Colossians 3:16

# **The Worthy Walk**

Ephesians 4:1

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## **I. The Proper Approach to Christian Living**

A. Doctrine, then Duty

B. The Example of Romans

C. The Example of Galatians

D. The Example of Colossians

E. Specific Scripture

1. 1 Thessalonians 4:1

2. Proverbs 23:7

3. Ephesians 4:23

4. Ephesians 1:17

5. Philippians 1:9

6. Colossians 3:10

7. 11 Peter 3:18

8. Colossians 1:28

## **II. The Exhortation to Walk Worthy 4:1**

A. "Walk" - Daily conduct

B. "Worthy" - Balance the Scale

1. Philippians 1:27

2. Colossians 1:10

C. Every Christian is Called into the Ministry

## Unity in the Body

Ephesians 4:2-6

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**Introduction:** The worthy walk defined in Ephesians 4-6

### I. The Attitudes of Unity v.2

#### A. Humility

1. Proverbs 16:5
2. 2 Corinthians 10:12

#### B. Meekness

1. Numbers 12:3
2. Matthew 11:29
3. Galatians 5:23

#### C. Patience

#### D. Forbearing Love

1. John 13:35

### II. The Exhortation to Unity v.3

#### A. John 17:20-23a

#### B. Romans 12:5

### III. The Basis for Unity vv.4-6

#### A. One Body

#### B. One Spirit - 1 Corinthians 12:13

#### C. One Hope - Ephesians 1:13-14

#### D. One Lord - John 14:6; Acts 4:12

#### E. One Faith - Jude 3

#### F. One Baptism - Matthew 28:19-20

#### G. One God

## The Gift-Giving Christ

Ephesians 4:7-10

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### Introduction:

-Unity in the Body

-Diversity in the Body

-Giftedness

1. Not natural abilities - 1 Cor. 2:1,4
2. Not a sign of spirituality - 1 Cor. 11:17
3. Gifts are important - 1 Cor. 12:1
4. The Holy Spirit is the Source - 1 Cor. 12:11
5. Gifts are for edification - 1 Cor. 14:12, 26
6. Different from fruit of the Spirit - Gal. 5:22
7. Can have a gift and not use it - 1 Tim 4:14; 1:6
8. Each gift is a characteristic of Christ

### Text:

-Verse 7

-Verse 8

-Verse 9

-Verse 10

## **The Christian Put-On**

Ephesians 4:17-24

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### **Introduction: The Transformation of Salvation**

- 2 Corinthians 5:17
- Titus 2:11-12
- 1 John 3:8-9
- 1 Corinthians 6:9-11
- Galatians 5:19-21
- Ephesians 5:5-7
- Matthew 7:13

### **I. The Walk of the Unsaved vv. 17-19**

- A. Futility v/17b
  - 1. 1 Thessalonians 4:5
  - 2. 1 Peter 4:3
  - 3. 2 Timothy 4:3
- B. Darkness v.18a
- C. Alienation v.18b
- D. Ignorance v.18c
- E. Hardness vv.18d-19
  - 1. Romans 1:21-28
  - 2. John 12:37-40

### **II. The Walk of the Redeemed vv.20-24**

- A. Put Off v.22
- B. Be renewed v.23
- C. Put Off v.24

## **The Exchanged Life**

Ephesians 4:25-32

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### **I. Trade Lying for Honesty v.25**

- A. Acts 5
- B. Revelation 21:8
- C. John 8:44
- D. John 17:17

### **II. Trade Sinful Anger for Righteous Anger vv.26-27**

- A. Psalm 69:9
- B. Psalm 97:10
- C. James 4:7

### **III. Trade Stealing for Giving v.28**

- A. 1 Corinthians 6:9-10
- B. 2 Thessalonians 3:10
- C. 1 Timothy 5:8
- D. Colossians 3:23-24

### **IV. Trade Rotten Talk for Edifying Words vv.29-30**

- A. Ephesians 5:3-4
- B. Colossians 3:8
- C. Matthew 12:34
- D. Proverbs 15:23

### **V. Trade Sinful Qualities for Christ-like Virtues v.31-32**

- A. Matthew 18:21-35

## **Employment Relationships**

Ephesians 6:5-9

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**Introduction:** All Things New in Christ - 1 Corinthians 5:17

- Our relationships of enmity - Ephesians 2:14-18
- Our desire to be a peacemaker - Ephesians 2:14-18
- Our priority of involvement - Ephesians 4:12
- Our speech - Ephesians 4:25,29
- Our reactions - Ephesians 4:26-27
- Our attitudes - Ephesians 4:31-32
- Our lifestyle - Ephesians 5:1-21
- Our marriages and families - Ephesians 5:22-6:4
- Our employment relationships - Ephesians 6:5-9

### **I. Servants: Obey vv.5-8**

- A. With Respect and Fear
- B. In Sincerity of Heart
- C. As Unto Christ
  - 1. 1 Corinthians 10:31
  - 2. Colossians 3:23
- D. With Consistency
- E. With Inner Motivation
- F. Wholeheartedly

### **II. Masters: Treat Fairly v.9**

-James 5:4

## **Spiritual Warfare**

Ephesians 6:10-14

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### **Introduction:**

- 1 Peter 5:8-9
- James 4:7
- Matthew 6
- Luke 22
- John 17:15

### **I. Our Resource v.10**

- A. Ephesians 1:15-20
- B. Ephesians 3:20
- C. 1 John 4:4
- D. Colossians 1:11
- E. 1 Corinthians 15:58

### **II. Our Responsibility v.11**

- A. Philippians 2:13
- B. 1 Corinthians 15:10
- C. Colossians 1:29

### **III. Satan's Army vv.12**

### **IV. God's Armor vv.13-14**

- A. The Belt of Truthfulness
- B. The Breastplate of Righteousness

## **The Armor of God**

Ephesians 6:14-17

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### **Introduction: Our Battle**

-Romans 13:12-14

-1 Thessalonians 5:5-9

### **I. The Belt of Truthfulness v.14a**

Wholehearted sincerity to live the Christian life

### **II. The Breastplate of Righteousness v.14b**

Holy living, walking worthy of our calling

### **III. The Shoes of Peace v.15**

Confidence in our relationship with God

Experiencing His peace

A. Revelation 12:10

B. Romans 5:1

C. Romans 8:28 -38

### **IV. The Shield of Faith v.16**

Believing God instead of Satan's tempting lies

### **V. The Helmet of Salvation v.17a**

The Assurance we have in our future Hope

A. Galatians 6:9

B. 1 Corinthians 15:21

C. 2 Corinthians 4:8-14

D. 2 Timothy 4:7-8

## **Spiritual Resources**

Ephesians 6:17-24

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### **Introduction: Review of Ephesians**

### **I. The Sword of the Spirit v.17b**

A. Machaira

B. "Rhema"

C. 1 John 4:4

D. Matthew 4:1-11

### **II. Prayer v.18**

A. At All Times

1. Luke 21:36

2. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

3. Psalm 55:17

B. All Prayer and Supplication

Praise, Thanksgiving, Intercession, Supplication

C. All Perseverance and Watchfulness

1. Watch = Spiritual Alertness

2. Perseverance

a. Romans 12:12

b. Colossians 4:2

D. For All Saints

1. "Our Father"

2. Paul's Specific Request