Ephesians



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	Introduction (1:1–2)	Our Position in Christ	Our Practice on Earth	Conclusion (6:21–24)
		Section 1: What God has done for us (1) Emphasis: sovereignty	Section 1: Our new unity (4:1–16)	
		Section 2: What Christ has done in us (2:1–10) Emphasis: grace	Section 2: Our new walk (4:17–6:9)	
		Section 3: What Christ has done between us (2:11–3:21) Emphasis: reconciliation	Section 3: Our new strength (6:10–20)	
		CHAPTERS 1–3	CHAPTERS 4–6	
Emphasis		Doctrinal: vertical relationship with God	Practical: horizontal relationship with others	
Core Phrase		"He chose us in Him." (1:4)	"Walk in a manner worthy of the calling." (4:1)	
Subjects		Declarations of heavenly truths (God's accomplishments)	Exhortations for earthly living (Christians' assignments)	
Prayers		Paul's prayer for Ephesians (1:15–23) / Paul's prayer for the whole church (3:14–21)	Christians' prayers for one another (6:18–20)	
Theme		The holy community God is creating and how it is to live out its calling		
Key Verses		1:9–10; 4:1–3		
Christ in Ephesians		Jesus is the source of spiritual blessing, the Cornerstone of the church, and the goal of spiritual maturity (1:3; 2:20; 4:11–16).		

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Overview

- Author
- Audience
- Structure
- Purpose



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CHAPTERS 1-3

The Believer's Wealth

Doctrine: what God has done in Christ

- Chosen, adopted, redeemed
- Made alive from spiritual death
- Jew and Gentile joined into one body
- The mystery of the church revealed

CHAPTERS 4-6

The Believer's Walk

Duty: how the truth reshapes daily life

- Walk in unity and maturity
- Walk in holiness, light, and wisdom
- Households ordered by mutual love
- Stand firm in spiritual warfare

Ephesians emphasizes unity and spiritual blessings in Christ, urging believers to live in accordance with their calling.

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Ephesians 1:1-3 [1] Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful in Christ Jesus: [2] Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. [3] Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,

- What is meant that Paul is an apostle of Christ and why does he begin the letter in this way?
- What do we know about Ephesus?
- What are the spiritual blessings in the heavenly places?
- What does it mean to be a saint?

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Ephesus

- A leading port city of Roman Asia Minor, in modern-day Turkey.
- Home to the Temple of Artemis, one of the seven wonders of the ancient world.
- A center of commerce, magic arts, and imperial worship.
- Paul ministered there roughly three years (Acts 19-20), longer than anywhere else.



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Ephesians 1:4-6 [4] even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love [5] he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, [6] to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

- What does it mean to be chosen?
- What does it mean to be predestined for adoption?

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Ideas.
Thoughts.
Comments?

Thank you!

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