The Book Of Ephesians

Chapter One

Verse I. Paul, a carrier of the special message concerning the Life of Jesus Christ, according to what God wills and desires, to those separated to this purpose at Ephesus, and faithful to the reality of being in Christ where there is

Verse 2. Favorable acceptance and peaceful union granted from God, our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Verse 3. Sincere heart devotion be to the One who fathered and begot Jesus again in resurrection in which He also has blessed us with all that can be considered to be reality, found only in the spiritual sphere know as "in Christ".

Verse 4. All of this is the result of, and in oneness of accord with His plan from before the foundation of the world to chose that, any thing that would be accepted would be found in Christ, through which union (based on love) we are now seen to be holy and without blame before Him,

Verse 5. Having pre-arranged a plan whereby we who are in Him would also be adopted as the Son by reason of union with Jesus Christ, which is all carried out and according to the method and means that would please Him the most,

Verse 6. Which rises from our hearts in expressions of praise and glory for this kind of grace that has become the

means by which we are accepted when identified in union with the Beloved One who is the only one accepted of God.

Verse 7. In union with whom we also get all other benefits such as redemption through his blood and the forgiveness of sins, which are all just riches come as a result of grace by oneness.

Verse 8. Along with those benefits He has also abounded toward us with riches of wisdom and prudence,

Verse 9. By making known to us the hidden plan, based on what he deeply desired which is based on the fact that he purposed it all to be related to Himself by union,

Verse 10. That, as a good steward, at the full and right time he might bring it all together in the oneness of Himself, both which are in heaven, and in earth, but only in him.

Verse II. Remember, its only by being united with Him that we obtain any inheritance, for we are predestinated to these things solely based of his purposed heart, who molds everything with this picture and purpose in his mind.

Verse 12. With the end result that we, because formed after his kind, by our very existence make his heart glad and bring him glory because we faithfully hold our place in Christ:

Verse 13. You too have learned about trusting in resurrection oneness, after you heard the true presentation of the Word, the gospel that saves by his

life; and in Christ, after you believed you also received the proof of the finished transaction which is yours by the promised Holy Spirit,

Verse 14. Who declares to us the earnest of what we inherited, had by union until what is already bought and paid for begins to manifest full redemption which will be to the praise of his glory.

Verse 15. Because of your beginning advances toward Christ, I also, after I heard that you were already established in such things as faith in the Lord Jesus, and love for all those dedicated to Christ,

Verse 16. Never stop thanking God for people that want Jesus in this way and always pray specifically for you;

Verse 17. That the God of the risen reality of Jesus Christ, the glorious giver of life, may father in you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of his view of things,

Verse 18. The eyes of the understanding of your church people be flooded with eternal heavenly light; that you may all know what is the real meaning of your lives in relation to what he called us all unto, and what is the glorious richness of what he inherits which results from Christ manifesting through his saints,

Verse 19. And to be aware of the incredible tremendousness of his power available to those of us who believe, which is all based out of the working of his mighty power,

Verse 20. Brought about in relation to us in Christ, when he raised him out from among the dead circumcised flesh, and set him at his own right hand in the risen regions,

Verse 21. Far above the grasp of all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

Verse 22. And God put all things under his risen Body's feet, and gave him to be the head over all things as far as the church is concerned,

Verse 23. Which, as his body, is filled with Him who is meant to fill all the body in general and to fill each part specifically.

Chapter Two

Verse 1. And to you has he given his life because you were a lifeless trespasser and sinner;

Verse 2. In which, in times past, you were motivated by and in league with the course of this world, which moves according to the prince of the power of the air; the spirit that is now the guiding hand of the sons of the rebellion

Verse 3. We all were very much a part of this crowd when the manner of how we directed our lives was based on living after what we desired in our earth existence, seeking to fulfill what flesh wants and thinks, and were, in nature, contrary children who should expect nothing but angry disapproval just as the groups we departed from should expect.

Verse 4. But instead of wrath, God, who is rich in mercy, because of his great big loving heart that loves us,

Verse 5. Even in the face of the fact that we were separated from him by sinful acts that proceeded from a sinful nature yet hath he made us jointly partakers of Christ's life (by this kind of grace you are saved from the deadness of you),

Verse 6. And, with us joined to him, raised him up in a glorious union that allows us to sit together in the heavenly realities that are ours by union into Christ Jesus:

Verse 7. That in the ages to come God might continue to show unto us the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us brought about through the plan of oneness with Christ Jesus.

Verse 8. For by this kind of grace are you saved through faith; it is not accomplished by your own means but by union with Christ who is our gift from God:

Verse 9. Not ours by working for it, lest we proudly declare our part in it.

Verse 10. For we are the work of the Master Craftsman who created us in union with Christ the True Vine to produce out from him, which is God's pre-ordained plan that we should walk in this way.

Verse II. With all of this in mind, remember that you, before oneness, were Gentiles in the flesh, who are called

the Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision carried out by the hands of man

Verse 12. That at that point in time you were without Christ, living as foreigners to the commonwealth of Israel, and unaware of the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:

Verse 13. But now in union with Christ Jesus you, who were at that time far off, are made near by the blood of Christ.

Verse 14. For he is our peace not just our peacemaker, who, in himself, made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

Verse 15. And he abolished in his flesh the enemy of both our culture groups as well as the law of commandments contained in ordinances; with the goal of making in himself one new man out of two contrary groups of men, that's how he brought peace;

Verse 16. And further, he did this that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enemy of everything that is not Christ by it:

Verse 17. And then he came and preached about a peaceful union toward you which were afar off, and to them that were near, for both needed to hear the message of death and union.

Verse 18. For through union into him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

Verse 19. Now, with us as the enemy being put away and Christ now as our life, you therefore are no longer outsiders speaking a foreign language, but are fellow citizens with the others who have separated themselves to this, and are now considered to be God's family;

Verse 20. And are built upon the foundation of the message imparted by the apostles and prophets, but Jesus Christ himself is the chief corner stone that all are joined unto;

Verse 21. As each take their place in this union, all the building becomes fitly framed together and grows into a holy temple in and for the Lord:

Verse 22. In whom also you are built together and added so that you might live as a habitation of God's life through this Spirit.

Chapter Three

Verse I. I, Paul, am a prisoner of Jesus Christ and not of earthly governments,

Verse 2 If you have heard of the things committed to me for your benefit through means of the grace of God,

Verse 3 Concerning how that by a "Spirit unveiling" he opened to me the secret plan (remember, I wrote at length to you before in a letter,

Verse 4 By which, in reading it, you can clearly see that my view of the hidden plan is concerning Christ's life within)

Verse 3:5 Which plan, in former generations was yet a "God secret" kept from earth men, compared to now when the unveiling is happening to the front men of this early movement by the Spirit,

Verse 3:6 Revealing that the Gentiles are to be joint inheritors based on becoming the body and vehicle of Christ's life, by which means we become partakers of his promises in union with Christ by receiving the point of the gospel.

Verse 3:7 Concerning which point of emphasis I exist to deliver it to others because of free grace given to me based on the power of His ability in me that works and is effective.

Verse 3:8 To me, one who is so weak compared to all other brothers, is this kind of grace given, in order to give me a power beyond myself to preach to all nations these incredible internal riches of Christ's life.

Verse 3:9 So that all have their eyes opened to what we jointly partake of concerning the mystery of depending on the power of Christ's life, which from the beginning of "shadow time" was hidden in the heart of God, who created these imitations by the pattern of the Real:

Verse 3:10 With the intention that now that the Real has arrived, the principalities and powers in the heavenlies, might see this manifold wisdom of God's prior plan at work in the church,

Verse 3:11 Which is in accordance with the intended plan, which he has now realized and brought into effect for those living in union with Christ Jesus, who governs within:

Verse 3:12 In that union with Him we also have his boldness and live in an open flow which is done with confidence because of faith we have in the access to his resources.

Verse 3:13 Because of all these effective realities, I desire that you don't worry about me concerning my physical trials and limitations as a result of my service to you, which is your glory.

Verse 3:14 It is with this purpose in mind why I bow in prayerful travail unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Verse 3:15 Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,

Verse 3:16 That he would grant you, according to the glorious riches of Christ in you, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the interior of man;

Verse 3:17 So that all is the result of Christ dwelling in your hearts by faith; that you, being deeply rooted as a tree beside a huge river and grounded in his love nature,

Verse 3:18 May be able to fully take in, with all the others who have chosen this lifestyle, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height of the resources of Christ;

Verse 3:19 And to know by a practical functioning, the love of Christ, which passes head knowledge, in order for you to be filled with all the fullness of God's resources.

Verse 3:20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we normally pray about or mentally hold, accomplished only by means of the power of his life resources that are at work in us,

Verse 3:21 Unto him be glory from inside the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

Chapter Four

Verse 4:1 I therefore, speaking as one captivated by the Lord in this same way, encourage you that you walk worthy of our life-union calling,

Verse 4:2 With the same attitudes toward others as those captivated by Christ's life, done in all lowliness and meekness, and with longsuffering while putting up with those who have not yet been so deeply impressed with his love nature:

Verse 4:3 Endeavouring to keep everything in the Spirit of oneness and in the peace that results from a bonding to one goal; for everything is based on union into One.

Verse 4:4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as you all are called to work together to reach one expected end;

Verse 4:5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

Verse 4:6 One God and Father of all, who uses methods from above concerning union by being through all, and in you all.

Verse 4:7 But unto every one of us is given this same grace beyond our own resources according to the amount of the gift of Christ's life that we walk in.

Verse 4:8 That is why he said, When he was resurrected up on high, he led those captive to their own limitations into being captivated by Him, who gave all his gifts unto raised men.

Verse 4:9 (Now that he has ascended, remember that it is that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

Verse 4:10 He that descended into death is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might become the fullness of the resurrected.)

Verse 4:11 And he gave some to function by the Apostle; and some to function by the Prophet; and some to function by the Evangelist; and some to function by the Great Shepherd and Teacher;

Verse 4:12 With the purpose of distributing his fullness which brings about the maturing of the saints, to prepare them for the work of the ministry, which is the building up of the body of Christ:

Verse 4:13 Till all the body comes to the faith concerning union into him, and all come to the knowledge of the Son of God, pertaining to the fact that he in his risen body is the perfect man, so that each member discovers the

standard measure of acceptable stature which is the fullness of Christ in every part:

Verse 4:14 Having finally come to that, we will no longer be immature ones, tossed to and fro, and carried about with whatever wind of teaching comes along, by the trickery of men, and cunning craftiness, by which they stalk you in order to deceive you;

Verse 4:15 But we all are speaking the truth motivated by loving intentions so that you may all grow up into the fact that all comes by union into him in all things, because he is the head, even Christ:

Verse 4:16 From whom his whole body is fitted and joined together and compacted because every one is joined in one purpose to supply Christ to the body, this will all be done in accord with the effective working in the measure of every part, making an increased number of those who function as the vehicle of Christ unto the edifying of itself in love.

Verse 4:17 Since this is the stated goal for all then I say and strongly speak forth in the Lord, that you no longer walk as foreigners to this reality, in thoughts devoid of eternal purpose,

Verse 4:18 Being in the dark concerning God's comprehension of how things are to function, being separated from the life union of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Verse 4:19 Who are even past the feeling stage but have given themselves over unto beastly instincts involving lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

Verse 4:20 But we have not taught you the method concerning good and evil but to learn Christ as your tree of life:

Verse 4:21 If the case is such that you have heard the voice from the opened heaven, and have been taught by him concerning his Son, that the truth is in Jesus and not just about him:

Verse 4:22 That you put off concerning the former way of living based on the old man, which is a lifestyle that is corrupt to the core based on deceitful motivations;

Verse 4:23 But be renewed in the spirit of your mind in place of growth in spiritual facts that are devoid of the spirit of the thing;

Verse 4:24 And that you take the next step also which is to put on a new identity with the risen new man, which after God's intended purpose is created to inherit by union all the resources of righteousness and true holiness.

Verse 4:25 Now if all of this is now our case in resurrection we should be putting away lying, speak every man eternal truth with his neighbor: for we are no longer just earth individuals living as we will but are members one of another because all are joined to Him. Verse 4:26 There will be times you will be angry, but don't take it all the way to the point of violating the

nature of Christ's life within for that would be to miss the mark: don't let the sun go down upon your wrath:

Verse 4:27 If Christ is your life then there is no excuse for giving place to the devil.

Verse 4:28 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him work by the nature of Christ which not only doesn't steal and not only is a good man who provides for his own needs but also works so that he may have something to give to one who is in need.

Verse 4:29 Don't let the communications and fruit of a corrupt tree come out of your mouth, but only that which builds the body into a habitation of Christ's life so that what you speak ministers grace unto those who take the time to listen to you.

Verse 4:30 And don't do things outside of union for these things really grieve the holy Spirit of God, by whom you were set with the seal of the finished risen transaction unto the day of redemption.

Verse 4:31 Then let all bitter reactions, and rage, and anger, and obnoxious stirrings, and speaking evil of others, be put away from you, with full dedication of heart:

Verse 4:32 And be kind to one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, not because they deserve it or have earned it but, just as Christ has been gracious to you so you forgive because all of you are joined into union.

Chapter Five

Verse 5:1 Because of the nature of this thing, don't just do the right thing but be followers of God, as ones having the family nature;

Verse 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us, and walked with a Lamb nature that has given himself for us as an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savor.

Verse 5:3 But attributes contrary to the Lamb such as fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, for this is unbecoming to those who claim they are totally separated to this union message and lifestyle;

Verse 5:4 Also don't let filthiness, nor talking that is devoid of eternity, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.

Verse 5:5 For this you all know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has inherited those attributes by being governed by the internal life of Christ and of God.

Verse 5:6 Do not let anyone deceive you with words presenting loopholes that try to get around the reality of life: for because of these things comes the wrath of God upon the sons of the rebellion.

Verse 5:7 If that is the case then don't join in with the judgment that is theirs.

Verse 5:8 For you, in the past, were not just in darkness but were darkness, but now have changed essence and, in

your being, are light in the Lord: don't just let that be true theologically but walk as if birthed into the family of light:

Verse 5:9 (For the fruit of the Spirit of the family that comes from the True Vine is evidenced by goodness and righteousness and truth;)

Verse 5:10 Our actions out from Life prove and manifest what is acceptable unto the Lord.

Verse 5:11 So have no common ground with the producers of the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them by word and by what you manifest in terms of fruit.

Verse 5:12 For it is a shame for branches from the Tree of Life to even speak with branches from a corrupt tree concerning the fallen fruit they bring forth in secret.

Verse 5:13 But the true reproving of something happens when the light of Life scatters the roaches and rats: for the thing that makes them feel uncomfortable and hide is light.

Verse 5:14 This is why it is said, If you will wake to your state of darkness, and be joined with Christ in resurrection, then Christ shall give you a nature change as a child of light.

Verse 5:15 See to it then that your walk is lined up with your nature, not walking as uninformed ones, but according to the wisdom of the Cross,

Verse 5:16 Not being lackadaisical concerning every moment that is ticking by but redeeming it, because there

are already so many who use every moment in the day to bring in evil.

Verse 5:17 Wherefore do not be committed to a cause about which you have no knowledge or passion, but understanding and be in tune with what it is that the Lord is trying to accomplish.

Verse 5:18 And don't waste time getting drunk, which shows an excess in time and purpose; but be filled at all times and in all places with the Spirit of the thing;

Verse 5:19 Pushing everyone forward by speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in the passion of your heart to the Lord;

Verse 5:20 Instead of complaining, giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

Verse 5:21 Submitting yourselves heartily one to another in a spirit of reverence to God's ends.

Verse 5:22 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as you function as the Bride of the Lord.

Verse 5:23 For the spiritual order is that the husband is the head of the wife, totally based on Christ being the head of the church: and he, as she stays in union, saves the vehicle of his life called the body.

Verse 5:24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives function by living principle and be one with their own husbands in every thing.

Verse 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave his individual identity away for the oneness found in his risen body;

Verse 5:26 That he might constantly set her apart to this reality and cleanse away her old concepts of how this is all suppose to work by means of the washing of water by the word,

Verse 5:27 That he might present her to himself as a radiant bride, not having spots of separation, or wrinkles of disunion, or any such thing; but that she should be totally set apart to this union being without blemished views of things.

Verse 5:28 Now that is how men ought to love their wives as their very own bodies. He that loves his wife loves himself because they are one.

Verse 5:29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but continually feeds her eternal fodder and cherishes her as one he wanted so bad that he would die to get her, for this is the spirit the Lord has toward the church:

Verse 5:30 Because we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

Verse 5:31 For the cause of union into oneness shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

Verse 5:32 This thing of union on such a deep and intimate level is a great mystery to many as yet: but I am

declaring unto you the overriding purpose for Christ bringing about the church.

Verse 5:33 Nevertheless, whether you have the spirit of the thing or not, let's stick to God's order that says that every husband is to particularly love his wife even as himself; and the wife needs to see to it that she reverences her husband.

Chapter Six

Verse 6:1 Children, obey your parents in oneness with the Lord: for this is the right spirit.

Verse 6:2 Honor your father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise;

Verse 6:3 That things may go well with you, and so you may live long on the earth.

Verse 6:4 And, you who are fathers, do not provoke your seed to angrily depart from the plan: but bring them up exhibiting a nurturing spirit and with admonitions based on the Lord's view.

Verse 6:5 Servants, be obedient to them that are your earthly overseers, as those who fear and tremble at God's Word, doing it with one single purpose in your heart, which is to be submitted to the internal nature of Christ;

Verse 6:6 Not doing things well only when watched or appearing as one of integrity only to please men; but as the members of Christ's body, doing the will of God from a heart condition;

Verse 6:7 Doing service to others because you have their good in mind which is according to the life of the Lord, and not after the ways of men:

Verse 6:8 Knowing that any person producing anything out from this spirit of self-giving, the same shall receive honor from the Lord, for, to live by his way does not require a certain earthly status or outward condition.

Verse 6:9 And, you who are given control by reason of title or position, live by the same life-principle as they do, holding back on the use of threats as a method of reaching your intended goal: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither does he respect the position of persons but looks for a certain kind of spirit regardless of who is in control and who is not.

Verse 6:10 In summary, my brothers and sisters, be strong in reliance upon the life and nature of the Lord, and let your ability be based on the power of his resources.

Verse 6:11 Like a soldier, be protected from your vulnerabilities by covering over with the full metal plating of God's life, so that you may be able to stand against the ingenious deceptions and tricks of the devil.

Verse 6:12 For our real battle is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Verse 6:13 Because of the magnitude of the forces arrayed against us then be fully covered over and out of sight by means of the overcoming armor of God's life and power,

so that you may be able to withstand the onslaught in the evil day, and having done all to present the enemy with Christ instead of yourself, then stand.

Verse 6:14 There is a certain strong stand you should maintain therefore, having your walk girded and guided by this truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness so that the devil does not hit your heart concerning your own acceptability;

Verse 6:15 And your feet prepared to spread this gospel of peaceful union which has brought us into Christ's life;

Verse 6:16 But above all, always have between you and the devil the shield of faith, with which you shall be able to extinguish all the fiery darts of discouragement and selfpity.

Verse 6:17 And put on the helmet that saves the mind from meditating on such thoughts, but regularly volley forth the sword of the Spirit, which is the spoken word of God:

Verse 6:18 Using that sword in prayer always and in all supplication, lining up with the Spirit of the thing, and standing as a guard for others with all perseverance and supplication that they maintain this same spiritual stand;

Verse 6:19 And for me, pray that utterance may be given unto me, so that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel pertaining to our being hidden and Christ being what comes forth,

Verse 6:20 For which convictions I am an ambassador to the earth realm who has been imprisoned: so pray that I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

Verse 6:21 But that you all may also know my present situation, and how I do, Tychicus, a much loved brother who is also a faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all these earth things:

Verse 6:22 Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that you might know our affairs, and that he might comfort your hearts with the fact that my imprisonment is to the glory of God and is not some fault of yours.

Verse 6:23 Peace that is found only in Christ be to the family of God there, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Verse 6:24 May favorable grace be with all them that love union with our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity of heart and commitment. Amen.