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EPHESIANS

INTRODUCTION

The church at Ephesus was founded by the apostle Paul. He laid the foundation of this church on his return from his second missionary journey (Acts 18:19-21). On his third missionary journey, he returned to Ephesus and spent two more years there (Acts 19:1-20:1). The work at Ephesus was close to Paul's heart. Read the account of Paul's last meeting with the elders of Ephesus in Acts 20:17-38.

The apostle Paul wrote this epistle from a prison cell. In Ephesians 4:1, he calls himself a "prisoner of the Lord." Paul's real imprisonment was in the chains and confinement of the love of God.

The letter to the Ephesians has been called "the epistle of Christian maturity." In this letter we are shown the high position that God had given all believers and the anointed and powerful life that is possible in Christ Jesus.

Deep in the heart of every believer should be the desire for a more effective and meaningful Christian walk. Ephesians is a call to the spiritual land of close fellowship with God and a fruitful Christian life. The indwelling Holy Spirit draws us toward that "land flowing with milk and honey."

CHAPTER 1 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

1. To whom is this epistle written? v. 1 to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:

2. Who wrote this epistle? v. 1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God,

3. How many spiritual blessings are given to us according to verse 3? all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

We discover in the book of Ephesians that at the moment of salvation we are given everything we need to live a victorious and fruitful Christian life.
4. Write Romans 8:32. He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

5. According to Ephesians 1:3 and 2:6, where is our position in Christ?
in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

We may feel like we are sitting in the ash heap with Job (Job 2:6, 13), but God has given us a seat in heavenly places with His Son, Jesus Christ. If we would truly believe our position in Christ, we would walk like the chosen people we really are!

6. When did God choose you? v. 4 before the foundation of the world

7. For what purpose are we chosen? v. 4 that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

8. What were we destined to be? v. 5 unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself

9. The fact that we have been so freely accepted by God gives praise to the glory of His. v. 6
grace;

This concept of grace is important to remember. Our high standing in Christ is **given** by God's grace, not because we are special or deserving.

10. Our redemption and forgiveness are according to _____ through his blood, according to the riches of his grace;
_____. v. 7

Verse 8 tells us that God has "abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence." Prudence means sound, careful and wise judgment. It is the wise and careful judgment of God that we should be seated in heavenly places and **freely** given the promises of God. If man had been allowed to work for or earn his blessings and position with God, there would be no end to his proud boasting of accomplishment.

11. In His wisdom and prudence, what has God made known unto us? v. 9 _____
the mystery of his will

12. What wise and prudent thing will God do in the fullness of times? v. 10 _____
gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

13. If we live in the beauty of our rightful inheritance (v. 11), our lives will be to the praise of His
glory _____ v.12

14. After we heard and believed the gospel, how were we sealed? v. 13 _____ with that holy Spirit of promise,
The miracle of salvation is that Jesus comes to live in our hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit. Ephesians 4:30 tells us that we are sealed by the Holy Spirit unto the day of redemption.

15. In verse 14, the word "earnest" means guarantee or pledge. The indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit is therefore the guarantee of our _____ inheritance

In the remaining verses of chapter one, Paul pours out his heart beseeching us to see what is really ours through Christ. This urging is not just the heartfelt cry of Paul but also of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. How His heart cries out to those who live below their inheritance.

16. What does Paul pray that the Lord would give to us? vv. 16,17 _____
the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

What three things will we know if our eyes of understanding are enlightened? vv. 18,19

17. _____ what is the hope of his calling,

18. _____ and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,
_____ And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe

19. _____

20. How did God manifest His mighty power? vv. 19,20 _____
he raised him from the dead, and set him (Jesus) at his own right hand in the heavenly places

21. Jesus is seated in _____ at his own right hand in the heavenly places,
_____. v. 20 Who sits there with
Him? (see 2:6) _____ Father God, And US

22. How much above all other powers and dominions do we sit? v. 21 _____ Far above

23. Since the church is His body, then anything under His feet is under us! What is put under His
feet? v. 22 _____ hath put all things under his feet

Verse 23 means we are filled with all the fullness of Christ Himself. What an inheritance! The greatest inheritance ever given and received by man cannot compare with the riches and wealth given to us by God.

CHAPTER 2 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

Chapter 2 begins with a description of our progression from sin and death to our wonderful inheritance and position in Christ.

1. Before we were quickened (made alive) in Christ, what was our condition? v. 1
were dead in trespasses and sins

2. In God's sight, if we are in sin we are dead. This is so real in scripture that eternal damnation or the lake of fire is called the second death. Rev. 20:14
According to what two things did we walk before we were saved? v. 2
3. walked according to the course of this world,
4. according to the prince of the power of the air

5. Who is the prince of the power of the air? v. 2, John 12:31, John 14:30, II Thessalonians 2:9
Satan the prince of this world

6. What are unbelievers called in verse 2? the children of disobedience:
7. What are unbelievers called in verse 3? the children of wrath

8. What are the children of disobedience and wrath fulfilling? v. 3 fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind

9. While we were dead in sin, what did God do when we opened our heart to Him? vv. 5,6
hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

10. In what way will God's glorious love and grace be shown throughout the ages to come? v. 7
in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

11. How do we receive such a glorious salvation and inheritance? v. 8 by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

12. Why would God's salvation or blessings **never** be given in return for the works of man? v. 9
Not of works, lest any man should boast.

13. Write verses 8 and 9 from memory. for by grace ye are saved and that not of yourselves it is the gift of God not of works lest any man should boast.

Even though we are not saved by our works, verse 10 tells us that the purpose of our new life in Christ is to produce good works.

Verses 11 through 22 remind us that at one time only the Jews were given God's blessings and inheritance. Only the Jews were called "God's chosen people," having been given an inheritance and a promised land.

14. According to Deuteronomy 7:6, the Lord chose the Jews to be holy people unto the Lord thy God

15. According to Deuteronomy 26:18, the Lord "avouched" or declared Israel to be His _____
his peculiar people

The Gentiles are left out of these Old Testament promises. However, through faith in Christ, the Lord has allowed us to share in this inheritance. List the four things we are called in I Peter 2:9.

16. _____ a chosen generation, 17. _____ a royal priesthood,
18. _____ an holy nation, 19. _____ a peculiar people;

The call of God to Christians found in the book of Ephesians parallels His call to Israel in the Old Testament. As Gentiles we must remember God's mercy for including us in His promises (2:11).

What four things does verse 12 say about us before we were included through faith?

20. _____ ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel,
21. _____ and strangers from the covenants of promise,
22. _____ having no hope,
23. _____ and without God in the world:

24. When at one time we were so far off, how are we made nigh? v. 13 _____
made nigh by the blood of Christ.

25. What did the Lord break down? v. 14 _____
the middle wall of partition between us;

We find that in Christ all "walls of partition" are broken down and we are free to love the people from every different culture and background.

26. Through what means did the Lord reconcile both Jew and Gentile? v. 16
in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:

27. Write out verse 18. _____ for through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father

28. According to verse 19, we are no more _____ strangers and foreigners
but _____ fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

29. Verses 21 and 22 portray all believers as fitting together to form one building. This is not just empty symbolism, but together as one body we actually become a human temple. For what is this building? v. 22 _____ for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

CHAPTER 3 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

Paul begins chapter 3 with a personal testimony of his own ministry. At the time Paul wrote this letter, he had been cast into prison because of his preaching among the Gentiles. Prejudiced Jews refused to believe that Gentiles had an equal position and calling.

Because this extreme division between Jew and Gentile no longer exists, some of Paul's teachings or experiences may not seem relevant to present times. But through scripture, the Holy Spirit is making a much more profound statement than just the fact that Gentiles have been included in God's provision for salvation. He is leading us to an understanding of our high calling and inheritance in Christ. Christianity is not just a new lifestyle or a belief we hold. It is God's mighty design and plan of the ages, and we should marvel and be filled with gratitude that we have a part of the life and purposes of Almighty God.

1. According to verse 1, why was Paul in prison? for you Gentiles
 In verse 3, the word mystery means a deep spiritual truth that has now been unveiled or revealed.
2. What is the mystery? vv. 5,6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:
3. What was Paul called to preach to the Gentiles? v. 8 the unsearchable riches of Christ;

Christ's riches for us are unsearchable because there is no end to His great treasure. However, every day of our Christian walk should entail a search for more of what has been promised to us.

4. What did Paul want all men to see? v. 9 what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:
5. How long had the Lord purposed this great plan? v. 11 he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: from the foundations of the world

Verse 12 reveals one of the greatest treasures among the unsearchable riches of Christ. We have an open door of entrance into the presence of the Lord.

6. Verse 12 says we have boldness and access with confidence.

Our confidence is not in our ability but in His divine calling.

7. What did this great revelation cause Paul to do? v. 14 I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Verses 16-21 record Paul's prayer. However these words are more than a prayer; they express a call that cries out, "Oh if you could only see what God has done and what you really have in Him!"

8. What did Paul pray that God would grant to all believers? v. 16 to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;
9. How does Christ dwell in our hearts? v. 17 by faith
10. How much of our inheritance did Paul pray that we would comprehend? v.18 what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;
11. According to verse 19, we can actually be filled with all the fulness of God.
12. We may ask and think of great possibilities for ourselves as Christians, but what is the Lord able to do? v. 20 to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,
13. How does Paul end his glorious prayer? Write out verse 21. Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end.

CHAPTER 4 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

The first three chapters have told us of our calling and inheritance. God began with Israel in the same way. First, He called them **out** to be His chosen people. Then, He called them **in** to a land of promise. (See Deuteronomy 6:23) However, before they could enter into the promised land, the Lord took them through a "wilderness school of obedience." The 40 years in the wilderness were a testing time

to learn of holiness.

Similarly, chapters 4, 5 and part of 6 of Ephesians are lessons in obedience and commitment. Every Christian who is thankful for the high calling of God and the unsearchable riches of Christ will enter this "school of obedience."

1. What did Paul beseech us to do? v. 1 ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

The dictionary defines vocation as "career." We may think our career is to be a secretary, carpenter, salesman or housewife, but our real career is to serve the Lord.

2. What will show that we are walking worthy of our vocation? v. 2 lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love

The fact that these qualities are mentioned first among other worthy attitudes or actions reveals God's high priority on humility.

3. According to Isaiah 57:15, with whom will our "high and lofty" God dwell? in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit

4. To whom will the Lord pay attention? Isaiah 66:2 even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.

5. Verse 3 says that forbearing one another in love will enable us to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace

List the seven things that are described as "one" in verses 4-6.

6. one body, 7. and one Spirit, 8. called in one hope of your calling;

9. One Lord, 10. one faith,

11. one baptism, 12. One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

Verses 7-16 speak of the structure and unity of the body of Christ.

13. What is given equally to every member of the body? v. 7 grace

14. When the Lord ascended after His resurrection, He set into operation the ministries of the church so that believers could be fed and strengthened. In verse 8 we are told He gave gifts to men.

What are these gifts? v. 11 apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

For what three purposes were these gifts or ministries given? v. 12

15. For the perfecting of the saints,

16. for the work of the ministry,

17. for the edifying of the body of Christ:

Verse 13 provides an exciting picture of the body of Christ maturing into the full stature of the Lord Jesus Himself! The church may grow in number, but until we grow in maturity we will never reach the fullness of our calling.

18. According to verse 14, what is one characteristic of being children rather than the perfect man of verse 13? tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby
19. How will we grow up into Christ in all things? v. 15 they lie in wait to deceive;
speaking the truth in love
20. Verse 16 skillfully uses the illustration of the human body to teach us about the body of Christ. The whole body will be fitly joined together and supplied by every joint according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.
- This phrase means when we live and walk below our inheritance and "career," we can hinder the whole body.
21. Therefore, we are told in verse 17 to henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,
Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:
Our natural minds will vainly deceive us. These verses concerning unity specifically focus on the need for sound doctrine in the whole body. The natural mind of man will believe what seems logical and therefore be led astray. Many times the truths of God are not logical to our natural minds but wonderful and real to our hearts. Read I Corinthians 2:14.
- Verse 18 describes the unsaved life as filled with darkened understanding, alienation, ignorance and blindness. What a picture! It certainly is no wonder that we want to sing, worship and praise when we are set free by the power of God.
- Verse 19 tells us we were "past feeling." Sin has a way of numbing us to what is true and right.
22. What are we told to do in verse 22? That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;
23. How does verse 23 describe our new attitude and outlook when we are saved? renewed in the spirit of your mind;
24. What are we to put on in verse 24? the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.
- This instruction almost seems too simple. But if we first see the beauty and grace of our calling in Christ Jesus, then we will hunger and thirst for righteousness and holiness. We will want to wake up every day and "put on the new man."
25. What is one practical aspect of the new man? v. 25 putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.
26. However, the Lord wants more than just "putting away lying." What does the first part of Psalm 51:6 say? thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.
- Verse 26 tells us that we should deal with any anger that arises in our hearts before the day is over. Anger, if left overnight, will become a root from which other sin can grow.
27. What does verse 27 say? Neither give place to the devil.
(See also James 4:7 and I Peter 5:8,9)
28. The Lord teaches us that it is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35). Why should we labor? v. 28 that he may have to give to him that needeth.
29. What should be the purpose of all our speech? v. 29 to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

30. What are we told to refrain from doing in verse 30? _____
grieve not the holy Spirit of God,

List three ways in which one could possibly grieve the Holy Spirit.

31. _____
give place to the devil.
32. _____
steal no more
33. _____
corrupt communication

There are many ways we can grieve the Holy Spirit. In scripture, the Holy Spirit is called our Comforter, Teacher and Guide. We are only hurting ourselves when we offend the One who can comfort and teach us.

List five things we are to put away in verse 31.

34. _____ Bitterness 35. _____ Wrath 36. _____ anger
37. _____ clamour 38. _____ evil speaking

In what three ways should we act toward our brothers and sisters? v.32

39. _____ be ye kind 40. _____ tenderhearted 41. _____ forgiving one another

CHAPTER 5 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

Chapter 5 continues with practical instruction. However, right and wrong in scripture are much more than instruction. Good works and godly living should be a response of love to God for salvation and the unsearchable riches we have through Christ. In John 14:15, Jesus says, "If ye love me, keep my commandments." Our walk of holiness and sanctification clearly shows our love and gratitude to the Lord. The thankfulness we show through our lives speaks more effectively than any words of our lips.

1. According to verses 1 and 2, if we follow God we will walk in _____ walk in love _____.
2. The greatest example we have of Christian love is the Lord Jesus. What does verse 2 say He did? _____
hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savour

In the Old Testament, a sacrifice was a "sweet-smelling savor" to God only when it was perfect. Our love needs to contain the perfect quality of Christ-like sacrificial love in order to become an acceptable, sweet-smelling savor to God.

3. Verse 3 shows the Lord's desire for His church to have a perfect testimony. What does verse 3 say about the common sins of fornication, greed and impurity? _____
let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;

What three things are not convenient (befitting) in our speech?

4. _____ Neither filthiness, 5. _____ nor foolish talking,
6. _____ nor jesting
7. Many times excuses will be made for a Christian who falls into sin, but God is very serious about sin. What does verse 5 say? _____
that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom
of Christ and of God.

8. Verse 6 tells us clearly that men may try to deceive Christians into thinking that God will look lightly upon sin. What kind of words are these? deceive you with vain words
9. According to verse 8, what are we now and how should we walk? _____
but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:

What three things will always be a part of any work or fruit of the Holy Spirit? v. 9

10. all goodness 11. and righteousness 12. and truth;
13. What are our instructions in verse 11? _____
have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

We are called to reprove sin. The best way to reprove sin is to have no part in it. When a Christian sins, the world is quick to see it and use it for their own self-justification.

14. How are sinful things reprov'd? v. 13 _____
But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light.
15. What is our cry to a sin-sleepy world? v. 14 _____
Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

Verse 15 tells us to walk "circumspectly." This means carefully and cautiously. "Redeeming the time" in verse 16 means buying up **every opportunity**.

16. With what should we be filled? v. 18 but be filled with the Spirit;
17. If we are filled with the Spirit, what will we do? v. 19 _____
Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;
18. What else will we do if we are filled with the Spirit? v. 20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

The remainder of this chapter focuses on the beautiful husband/wife relationship in the Lord. Since God created and ordained marriage, it can only be complete by complying with God's principles and guidance. Omitting God from marriage is like leaving all the tires off a car. It may sound the same as any other car, but it can't really go anywhere!

19. What is the first general rule all believers must obey? v. 21 _____
submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.
20. Specifically, the wife must learn the grace and love of submission. Why? v. 23 _____
For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.

The perfectly balanced marriage relationship is found in verses 24 and 25. The woman is to submit herself wholly, while the husband to whom she must submit should love her even as Christ loved the church. This balance will never hinder nor hurt anyone, but serious error has been made when verse 24 is isolated without the balance of verse 25.

21. What is the Lord doing with His church? v. 26 _____
sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

22. When the church is a glorious church with no spot, creases, or blemishes, what will the Lord do?
v. 27 That he might present it to himself
23. Verse 28 brings out an important principle. When a man truly loves his wife, he will be at peace with himself. How does verse 28 say this? _____
24. As the bride of Christ, how much a part of our Bridegroom are we? v.30 _____
love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.

Verse 31 quotes God's original instructions in Genesis 2:24 concerning marriage. Scripture applies this behavior to the Lord Himself in verse 32 as it refers to Jesus leaving His Father in heaven to be joined together with us.

25. What does Paul call this great and wonderful truth? v. 32 This is a great mystery:
Verse 33 concludes with a summary of the balance given in verses 24 and 25.

CHAPTER 6 - READ THE CHAPTER FIRST

Verses 1-9 speak of the child/parent and employee/employer relation-ships.

1. What are children commanded to do? v. 1 obey your parents in the Lord
The child/parent relationship is given a place of great respect in scripture, for God included it in the ten commandments.
2. Write out the entire commandment as found in Exodus 20:12. _____
Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
3. Verse 2 points out that this is the one commandment having a promise of blessing in it. What is that promise? v. 3 That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth
4. What are fathers told **not** to do? v. 4 provoke not your children to wrath
5. What are fathers told to do? v. 4 but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.
6. Summarize the responsibility of a Christian employee from verses 5 and 6. _____
Serve our bosses as though they were Jesus
7. For whom should we do our service? v. 7 as unto the Lord,
8. What should a Christian employer (master) know and keep in mind? v. 9 do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him.

The book of Ephesians takes the believer on a progressive journey. The story of the Jews gives us a perfect picture of this journey. It occurs in three stages. First is the call. The Lord called out and created a nation of His own--the Jews. He gave them a great inheritance and promises of unsearchable riches. The second stage consists of enrollment in the school of obedience.

9. How did Jesus learn obedience? Hebrews 5:8 suffering

The school of obedience for the Jews lasted for 40 years in the wilderness where they were taught to walk worthy of their "career." (See Deuteronomy 8:2,3) The practical teachings of Ephesians 4:1-6:9

constitute our call into the school of obedience. The exhortations to love, commitment, holiness, etc., can be learned in the school of trials and testings.

The third stage progresses to an even higher call--the call to warfare and possession of the land. (Read Deuteronomy 6:18,19) This stage is a victorious walk in Christ where enemies are subdued and great things are accomplished for God. Ephesians 6:10 marks the beginning of our call to "stage three."

10. What are we told to be in verse 10? be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
11. What should we put on for this part of our journey? v. 11 the whole armour of God
12. Why should we put on this armor? v. 11 that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
13. We do **not** wrestle against flesh and blood. v. 12
What four evil forces are named in verse 12?
14. principalities 15. against powers
16. against the rulers of the darkness of this world,
17. against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Investigation into the various types of wicked forces is not necessary. All we need to know is that we have a very real enemy who can be victoriously conquered through the blood of Jesus Christ.

18. How much of our armor should we have on at all times? v. 13 the whole armour of God
19. What is the first piece of armor mentioned in verse 14? _____

Loins include the hips and lower abdomen of the body, which are regarded as the region of strength and procreative power. If our loins are "girt about with truth," then anything brought forth from our lives will manifest the purity of truth.

20. What should cover our heart? v. 14 having your loins girt about with truth
A warrior needs, above all else, a pure heart.
21. What shall the pure in heart see? Matthew 5:8 for they shall see God.
22. What kind of shoes should a warrior for God wear? v. 15 _____
shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

Shoes touch **every** place someone goes. As we walk down a street, only our shoes are making contact. Our point of contact with the world should be the gospel of peace.

23. What do our feet look like when we are bringing the good tidings of the gospel of peace? Isaiah 52:7 beautiful
24. What can we do with the shield of faith? v. 16 _____
ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.
25. What is the victory that overcomes the world? I John 5:4 whatsoever is born of God
Read some of the varied things accomplished through faith in Hebrews 11:33-35.
26. What should we wear on our head? v. 17 the helmet of salvation

Our minds need to be brought under the discipline of our salvation. The simplicity of salvation protects us from undisciplined thoughts.

27. What is the sword of the Spirit? v. 17 which is the word of God

Read Hebrews 4:12 and answer the next three questions from this verse.

28. What is different about this sword from the sharp but lifeless swords used in men's fleshly battles?
piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

The word "quick" means alive.

29. How sharp is the word of God? sharper than any twoedged sword,

30. What does God's word divide? the soul and the spirit, the thoughts and intents of the heart

31. According to Ephesians 6:18, what is the main activity of a true warrior? Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all

saints
The Lord is leading all His people to go in and possess our promised land. In order to do this, we must remember to put on the whole armor of God.

In the remaining verses, Paul speaks of his own needs and requests.

32. Why were the believers to pray for Paul? v. 19 may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,

33. What does Paul call himself in verse 20? I am an ambassador in bonds

What a paradox! An ambassador is someone who is sent on a commission. Paul is in bonds, yet he still considers himself an ambassador.

34. How could he be an ambassador in bonds? II Timothy 2:9 the word of God is not bound.

35. Why was Paul sending Tychicus? v. 22 that ye might know our affairs, and that he might comfort your hearts.

36. How should we love the Lord? v. 24 Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity SINCERITY

If we love the Lord in sincerity, then we will allow Him to take us on the journey described in Ephesians. Many believers stop at the first stage, receiving His great blessings and riches. Others remain in the wilderness school of obedience, endlessly learning. There are those who put on the whole armor of God and go in and possess the land.

Jesus said, "Many are called but few are chosen." (Matthew 20:16; 22:14) All are called to enter into the promised land, but few want to pay the price. We should all determine to be in the category of those who put on God's armor and possess all God has for us.

I have answered all questions and completed all memory work to the best of my ability.

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