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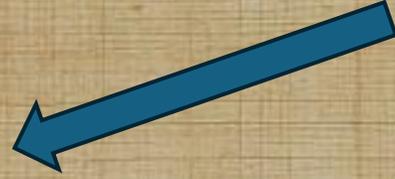


- **We are eternal spiritual beings living in a temporary earthly realm.**
- **Goal: Explore the heavenly realms described in Ephesians and review scriptures in light of what we learn.**



Heavenly Realms

Ephesians 1:3, 1:20, 2:6, 3:10, 6:12



³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

Heavenly Realms

Ephesians 1:3, 1:20, 2:6, 3:10, 6:12



¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be **enlightened** in order that you may **know** the hope to which he has **called you**, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he **raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms**, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come



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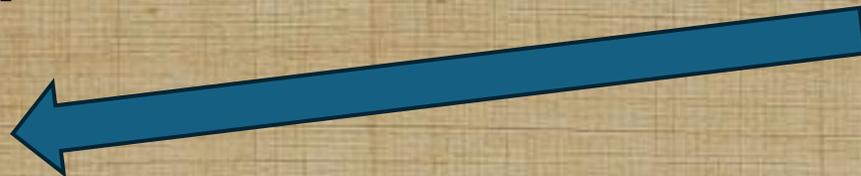


But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵ made us **alive** with Christ even when we were **dead** in transgressions—it is by **grace** you have been saved. ⁶ **And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus,** ⁷ in order that in the coming ages he might show the **incomparable riches of his grace**, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ **For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith**



Heavenly Realms

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¹⁰ His intent was that now, **through the church**, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the **rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms**, ¹¹ according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. ¹³ I ask you, therefore, not to be discouraged because of my sufferings for you, which are your glory.



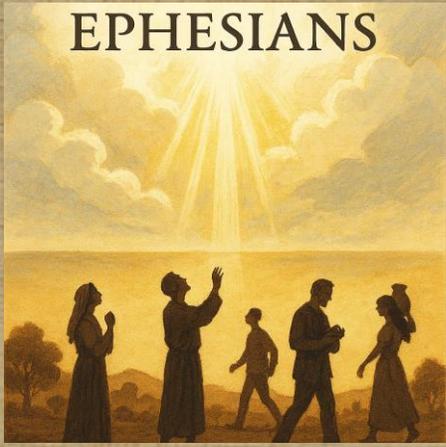
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¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against **the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.**

EPHESIANS

Heavenly Realms Ephesians 3:10



Heavenly
Good news

Heavenly
Realm
Aligned
with God

Physical
Realm
Aligned
with God

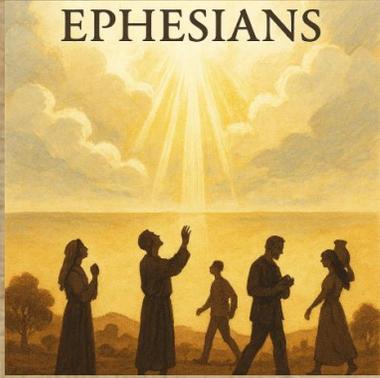
Heavenly
Realm Not
Aligned
with God

Physical
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Plots to kill
Jesus as a
baby and
eliminate him
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crucifixion

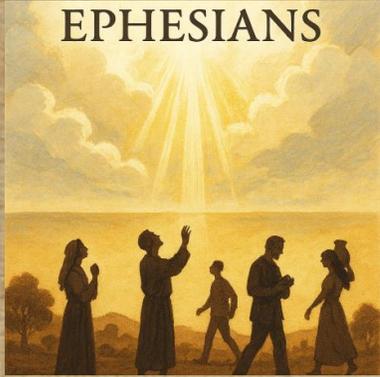
Book of Ephesians Unity

- ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called;
- ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism;
- ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.



Book of Ephesians Unity

ONENESS



body
Spirit
hope
Lord
faith
baptism
God

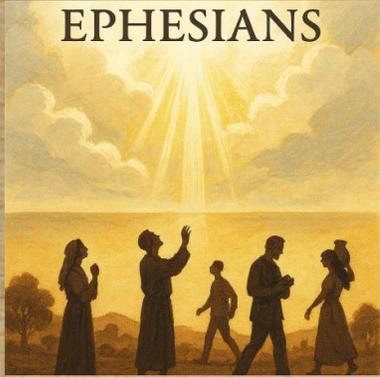
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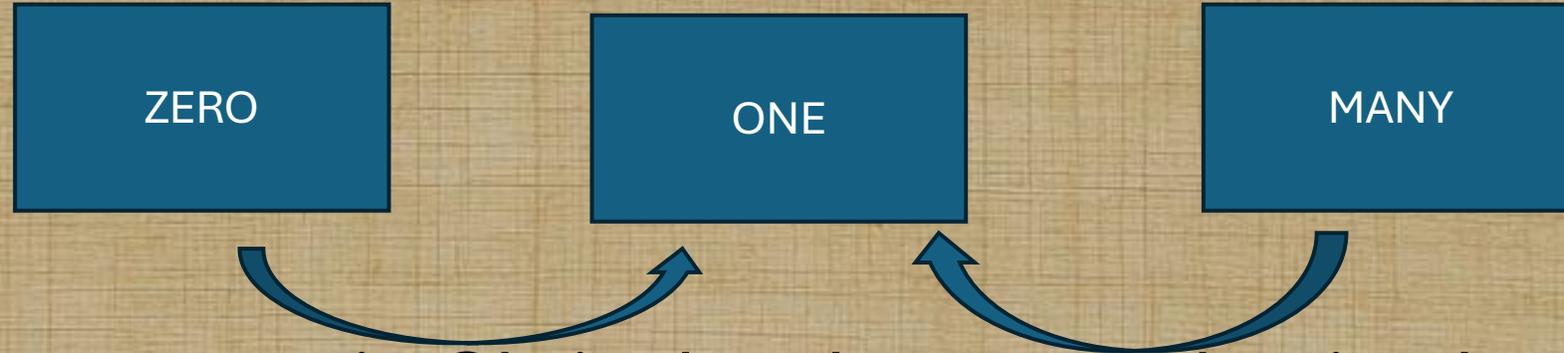
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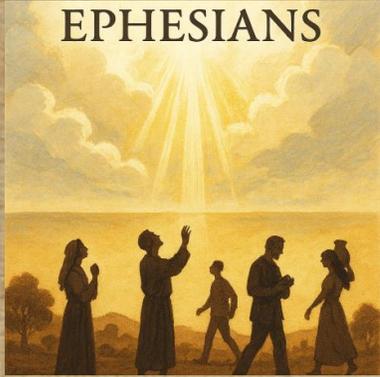
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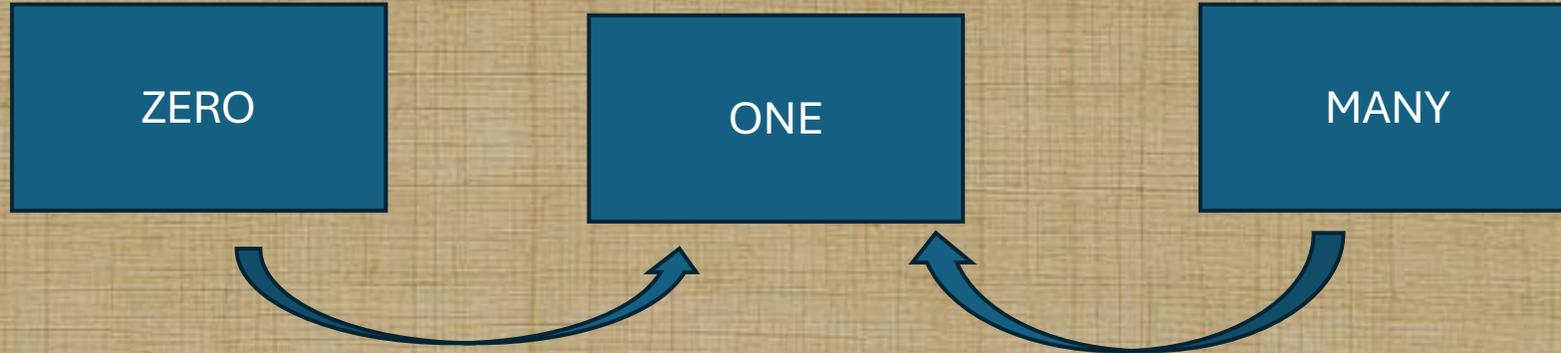
The oneness in Christ has been emphasized demonstrating Jews and Gentiles are now conjoined into one faith. The covenant people of God are now Christians inclusive of Jews and Gentiles men and women, parents and children, masters and slaves and every conceivable station of life. Importance is now on otherhood are we are called to serve others ahead of ourselves.

body
Spirit
hope
Lord
faith
baptism
God

Book of Ephesians Unity



ONENESS



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Kingdoms, kings, priest, and prophets are tried to align themselves with God but they ultimately failed. The blood of bulls and goats was not effective for removing sin so their worship depended on the messiah, Jesus Christ, whose blood of the final covenant continually provides forgiveness, redemption, reconciliation and a spiritual alignment pleasing to God. Halleluiah.

Book of Ephesians Differing Lens

- Heavenly Realms
- Blessings -- Look at each blessing in Ephesians
- Knowledge – Observe references to knowledge Especially in Paul's Prayers
- Infinity – Things unfathomable and eternal.
God has a multitude of infinite attributes
- Once Dead Now Alive.
How you once live and how you live now
How the world lives and how Christians live
- Grace
made known and accepted vs. unknow and rejected.
- How we should live(walk) , have a new mind, and mature

Book of Ephesians

- Heavenly Realms ← 12/7
- The Prayer in Chapter 1, Faith and Grace ← 12/21
- Spiritual Tools and Heavenly Armor
- Spiritual Blessings in Christ ← 12/14 Chapter 1
- Made Alive in Christ
- The New Spiritual Humanity
- The Cornerstone and the New Building
- Love that is wide, long, and high. The infinite God ← 12/28
- Worthy calling ← 01/11 Unity and oneness _ ← 01/04
- Futile thinking contrasted with Wisdom and Discretion
- Quirky things about Ephesians: The Colossian Heresy, Papyrus 46, No serious issues addressed ← 12/28
- Christian Living Impacting Relationships.

Spiritual Realms (Knowing Theme)

Heard, made known, wisdom, revelation, know Him better, enlightened, know hope, knowledge, insight, discernment, understanding. Made plain

Spiritual
Realm
Aligned
with God

Physical
Realm
Aligned
with God

ALIVE



DEAD

Spiritual
Realm Not
Aligned
with God

Physical
Realm Not
Aligned
with God

¹⁸ being **darkened** in their understanding, excluded from the life of God because of the **ignorance** that is in them, because of the **hardness of their heart**; ¹⁹ and they, having become callous, have given themselves up to indecent behavior for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness.

4 I **therefore**, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

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Ephesians	1-3	4-6
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Galatians	1-4	5-6
Colossians	1-2	3.4
1 Peter	1:1 to 2:10	2:11 to 5:14
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Instructions for Christian Living

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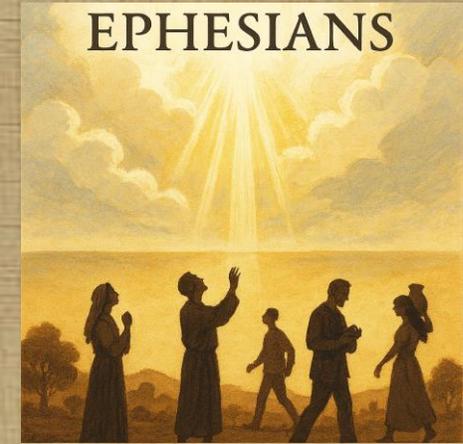
DOCTRINE

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APPLICATION



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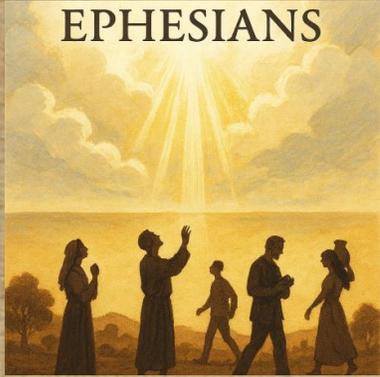
EPHESIANS

Book of Ephesians Living as we should

- EPH 4:1 As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to **live a life worthy of the calling** you have received.

COLOSSIANS 1:9 For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,¹⁰ so that you may **live a life worthy of the Lord** and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God.

EPHESIANS



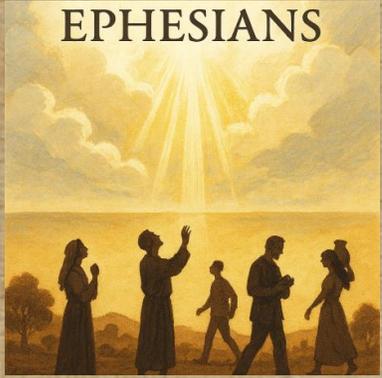
Book of Ephesians Ephesians Living as we should

- ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

This chapter has a lot of instructions for Christian living .

EPHESIANS

Book of Ephesians Maturity and Unity

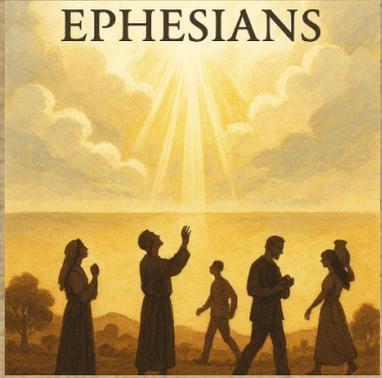


- ¹¹ So *Christ* himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers,

¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

UNITY DOES NOT = UNIFORMITY

Book of Ephesians Maturity

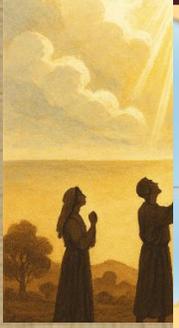


- ¹⁴ Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming.

¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work

Book of Hebrews (4) Lack of Maturity

¹¹ We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you because **you no longer try to understand.** ¹² In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! ¹³ Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. ¹⁴ But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.





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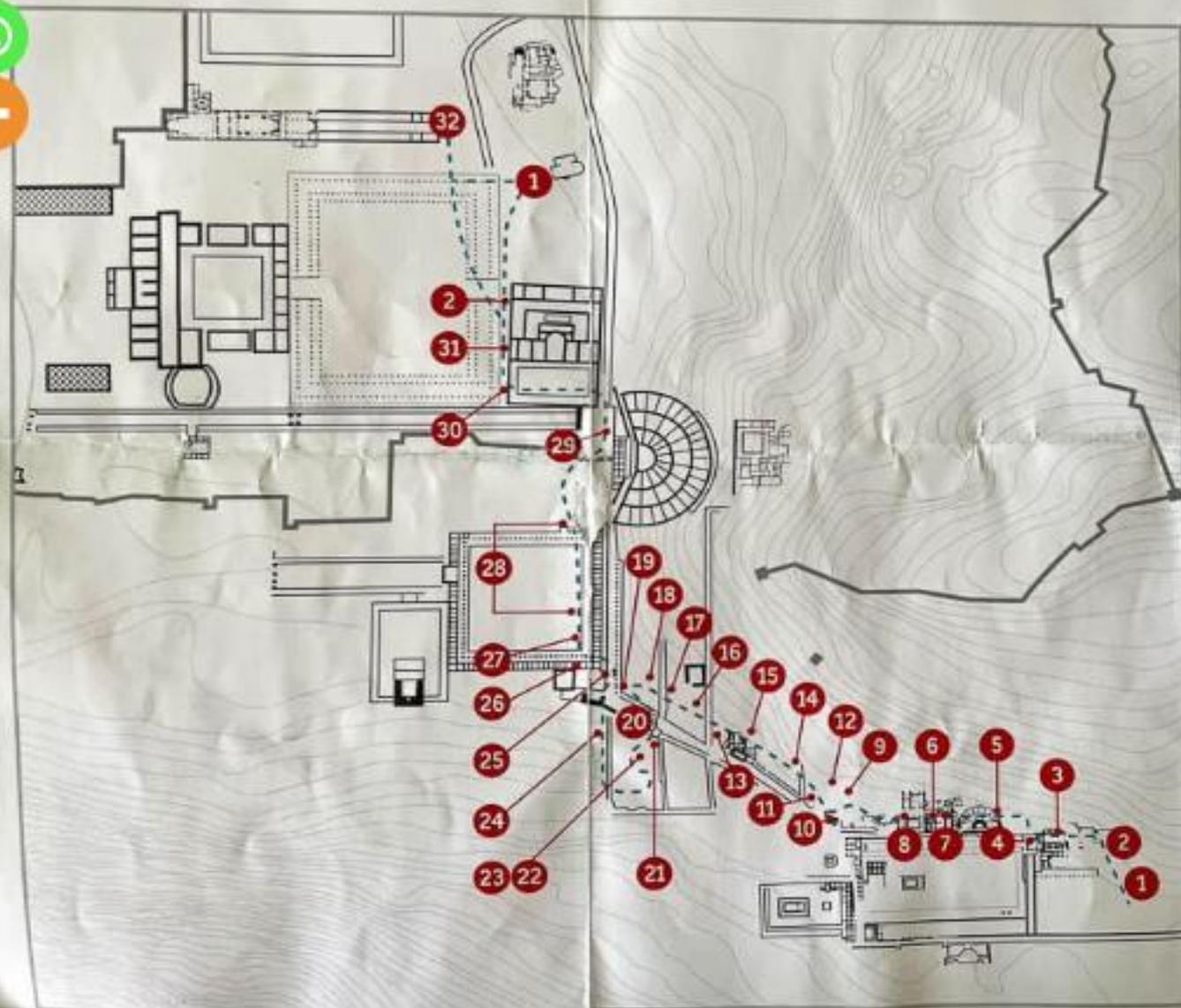
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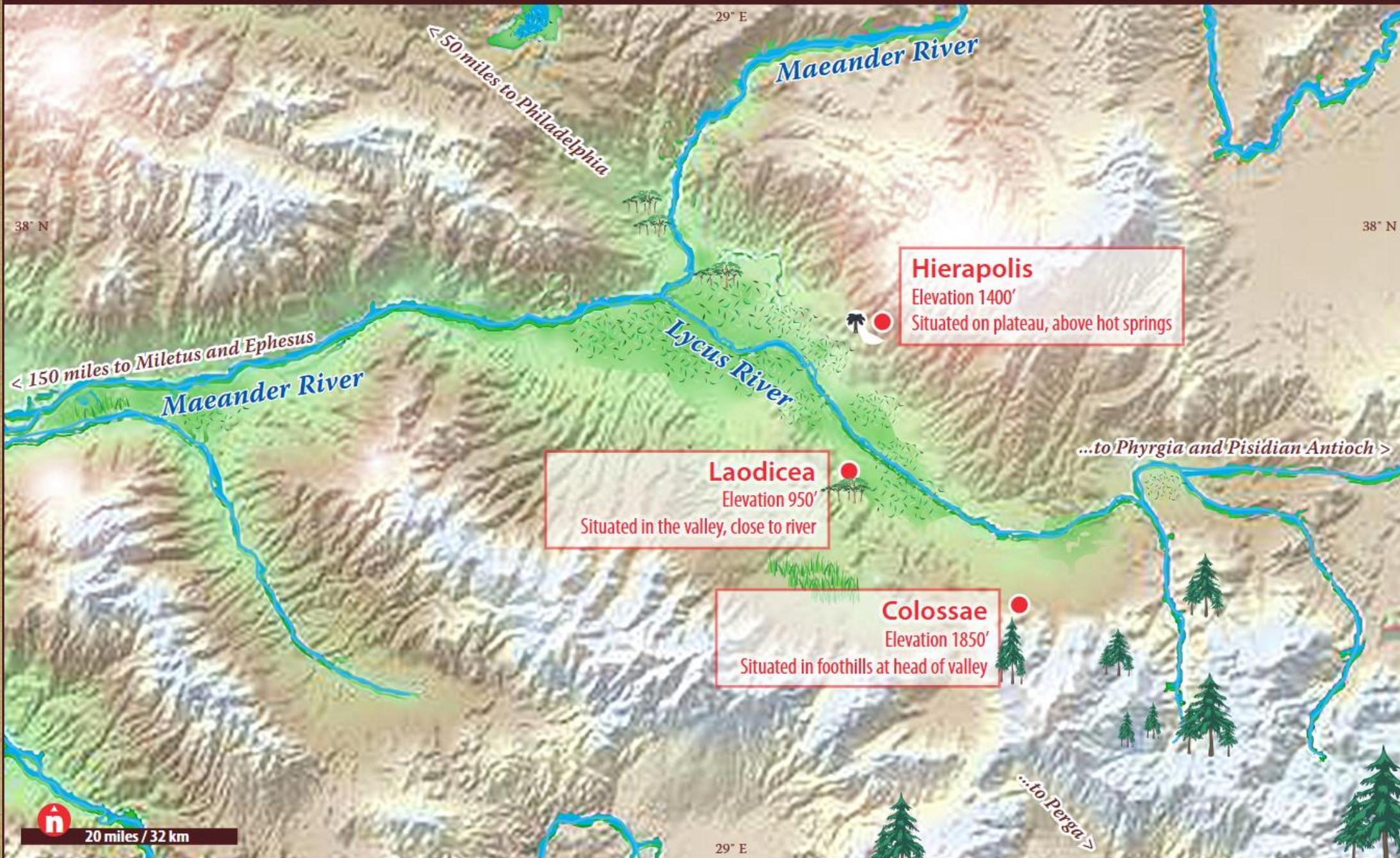
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EPHESUS ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE



- 1 WELCOME
- 2 HISTORY OF EPHESUS
- 3 STATE BATHS
- 4 THE STATE AGORA
- 5 ODEON - THE BOULEUTERION
- 6 THE RHODIAN 'PERISTYLE' AND THE PRYTANEUM
- 7 THE SACRED GROUNDS
- 8 THE SACRED WALKWAY
- 9 THE MONUMENT OF MEMMIUS
- 10 THE TEMPLE OF DOMITIAN
- 11 RELIEF OF NIKE
- 12 HYDREION
- 13 THE CURETES STREET
- 14 THE HERCULES GATE
- 15 TRAIANUS FOUNTAIN
- 16 THE VARIUS BATH
- 17 THE TEMPLE OF HADRIAN'S
- 18 THE LATRINE
- 19 THE OCTAGON
- 20 THE TERRACE HOUSES
- 21 BASILICA
- 22 WALL PAINTINGS IN TERRACE HOUSE 2
- 23 DWELLING UNIT 2
- 24 TERRACE HOUSE 2
- 25 HADRIAN'S GATE
- 26 THE CELSUS LIBRARY
- 27 THE SOUTH GATE OF THE AGORA
- 28 TETRAGANOS AGORA
THE COMMERCIAL MARKET
- 29 THE GREAT THEATRE
- 30 ARKADIANE
- 31 THE THEATRE GYMNASIUM
- 32 THE CHURCH OF SAINT MARY



Acts 19 Paul in Ephesus

¹⁶ Then the man who had the evil spirit jumped on them and overpowered them all. He gave them such a beating that they ran out of the house naked and bleeding. ¹⁷ When this became known to the Jews and Greeks living in Ephesus, they were all seized with fear, and the name of the Lord Jesus was held in high honor. ¹⁸ Many of those who believed now came and openly confessed what they had done. ¹⁹ A number who had practiced sorcery brought their scrolls together and burned them publicly. When they calculated the value of the scrolls, the total came to **fifty thousand drachmas**. ²⁰ In this way the word of the Lord spread widely and grew in power.

Acts 19 Paul in Ephesus

fifty thousand drachmas.

But bullion equivalent calculations do not provide a complete picture of a currency's value. Using a labor-equivalent calculation, a silver drachma (or denarius), which constituted a day's wage for a manual laborer, would be worth approximately the same in modern currency. The United States federal minimum wage's maximum purchasing power was in 1968, when it was \$1.60 (\$14.47 in 2024), meaning an 8-hour shift paid \$12.80 (\$115.70 in 2024) Meanwhile, average yearly wages in the United States in 2022 were \$77,463 (\$83,233 in 2024), meaning a day's wages would be \$322.76 (\$347.00 in 2024) 50,000 X \$200= \$10 Millon

Acts 19 Paul in Ephesus

²¹ After all this had happened, Paul decided to go to Jerusalem, passing through Macedonia and Achaia. “After I have been there,” he said, “I must visit Rome also.” ²² He sent two of his helpers, Timothy and Erastus, to Macedonia, while he stayed in the province of Asia a little longer.

The Riot in Ephesus

²³ About that time there arose a great disturbance about the Way. ²⁴ A silversmith named Demetrius, who made silver shrines of Artemis, brought in a lot of business for the craftsmen there.

Acts 19 Paul in Ephesus

.²⁵ He called them together, along with the workers in related trades, and said: “You know, my friends, that we receive a good income from this business.²⁶ And you see and hear how this fellow Paul has convinced and led astray large numbers of people here in Ephesus and in practically the whole province of Asia. He says that gods made by human hands are no gods at all.²⁷ There is danger not only that our trade will lose its good name, but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis will be discredited; and the goddess herself, who is worshiped throughout the province of Asia and the world, will be robbed of her divine majesty.”

Acts 19 Paul in Ephesus

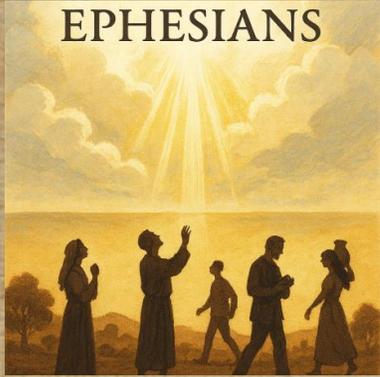
²⁸ When they heard this, they were furious and began shouting: “Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!” ²⁹ Soon the whole city was in an uproar. The people seized Gaius and Aristarchus, Paul’s traveling companions from Macedonia, and all of them rushed into the theater together. ³⁰ Paul wanted to appear before the crowd, but the disciples would not let him. ³¹ Even some of the officials of the province, friends of Paul, sent him a message begging him not to venture into the theater.

Acts 19 Paul in Ephesus

³² The assembly was in confusion: Some were shouting one thing, some another. Most of the people did not even know why they were there. ³³ The Jews in the crowd pushed Alexander to the front, and they shouted instructions to him. He motioned for silence in order to make a defense before the people. ³⁴ But when they realized he was a Jew, they all shouted in unison for about two hours: “Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!”

Acts 19 Paul in Ephesus

³⁵ The city clerk quieted the crowd and said: “Fellow Ephesians, doesn’t all the world know that the city of Ephesus is the guardian of the temple of the great Artemis and of her image, which fell from heaven? ³⁶ Therefore, since these facts are undeniable, you ought to calm down and not do anything rash. ³⁷ You have brought these men here, though they have neither robbed temples nor blasphemed our goddess. ³⁸ If, then, Demetrius and his fellow craftsmen have a grievance against anybody, the courts are open and there are proconsuls. They can press charges.

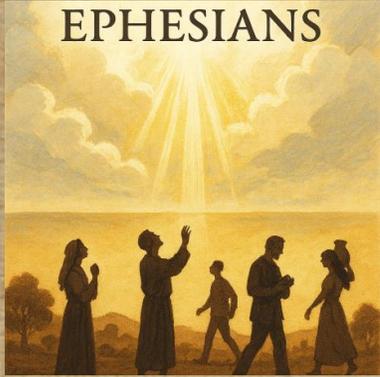


Book of Ephesians walk / live worthy of the Lord

- **EPH 4:1** As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to **live a life worthy of the calling** you have received. (NIV)

EPH 4:1 Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to **walk in a manner worthy** of the calling with which you have been called, (NASB 1995)

EPH 4:1 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye **walk worthy** of the vocation wherewith ye are called, KJV



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- **EPH 4: 17** So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, **that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do**, in the futility of their thinking. (NIV)

EPH 4: 17 So this I say, and affirm together with the Lord, that **you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk**, in the futility of their mind, **18** being darkened in their understanding,,(NASB 1995)

EPH 4 17 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth **walk not as other Gentiles walk**, in the vanity of their mind, KJV

Book of Colossians walk / live worthy of the Lord

- **COL 1:9b** ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives,¹⁰ so that you may **live a life worthy of the Lord** and please him in every way: NIV

COL 1:9b may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so that **you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord**, to please *Him* in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; NASB 1995

COLOSSIANS 1:9b filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; ¹⁰ That **ye might walk worthy of the Lord** unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; KJV

Book of 1 Thessalonians walk / live worthy of the Lord

- 2:11 For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, ¹² encouraging, comforting and urging you to **live lives worthy of God**, who calls you into his kingdom and glory. NIV
- 2:12 **so that you would walk in a manner worthy of the God** who calls you into His own kingdom and glory. NASB

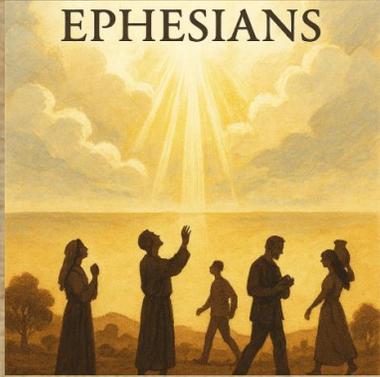
2:11 As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father doth his children, ¹² **That ye would walk worthy of God**, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory. ¹³ For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe. KJV

Book of Ephesians walk /live

- [Eph 5:8](#)
- For ye were sometimes darkness, but now *are* ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:
- (KJV)

- [Eph 5:15](#)

- See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, KJV



Book of Romans walk /live

- **Rom 8:1** *There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit*
- **Rom 8:4** That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk **G4043** not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
- **Rom 13:13** Let us walk **G4043** honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.

walk /live

- [1Co 7:17](#) But as God hath distributed to every man, as the Lord hath called every one, so let him walk. [G4043](#) And so ordain I in all churches
- [2Co 5:7](#) (For we walk [G4043](#) by faith, not by sight:)
- [Phl 3:17](#) Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk [G4043](#) so as ye have us for an example.

Instructions for Christian Living

- **Instructions for Christian Living**
- ¹⁷ So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. ¹⁸ They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. ¹⁹ Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed.

Instructions for Christian Living **Newness**

- ²⁰ That, however, is not the way of life you learned ²¹ when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. ²² You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to **put off your old self**, which is being **corrupted by its deceitful desires**; ²³ to be **made new in the attitude of your minds**; ²⁴ and **to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.**

Instructions for Christian Living

Take Off	Put On
Old Man	New Man
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to be made **new** in the attitude of your minds

- New **καινός** *kainos* *new in kind*
- new
 - as respects form
 - recently made, fresh, recent, unused, unworn
 - as respects substance
 - of a new kind, unprecedented, novel, uncommon, unheard of

to be made **new** in the attitude of your minds

- New **καινός** *kainos* *new in kind*
- **G2537** - denotes the new primarily in reference to quality, the fresh, unworn

- New **νέος** *neos* *new in time*
- **G3501** - denotes the new primarily in reference to time, the young, recent

A Living Sacrifice Romans 12 **Newness**

12 Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the **renewing** of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

but be transformed by the **renewing** of your mind

- Renewing **ἀνακαίνωσις**
- a renewal, renovation, complete change for the better

A Living Sacrifice Romans 12 **Newness**

6 What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? ² By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? ³ Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may **live** a **new** life. NIV

A Living Sacrifice Romans 12 **Newness**

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Instructions for Christian Living

- ²⁵ Therefore each of you must **put off falsehood** and **speak truthfully** to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. ²⁶ “**In your anger do not sin**”: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, ²⁷ and do not give the devil a foothold. ²⁸ Anyone who **has been stealing must steal no longer**, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need

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Anger	Peace
Theft	Generosity

- ²⁹ Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. ³² Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Instructions for Christian Living

Take Off	Put On
Old Man	New Man
Unwholesome talk (gossip etc.)	encouragement
bitterness, rage and anger brawling and slander, along with every form of malice	kindness and compassion forgiving

Spiritual
Realm
Aligned
with God

Physical
Realm
Aligned
with God

ALIVE Newness and the Christian Walk

New Man, new in the attitude of your minds, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness, Truth, Peace, Generosity, encouragement, kindness, compassion, forgiving



DEAD

corrupted by its deceitful desires with regard to your former way of life, Falsehood, Anger, Theft Unwholesome talk, bitterness, rage, anger, brawling, slander, along with every form of malice

Spiritual
Realm Not
Aligned
with God

Physical
Realm Not
Aligned
with God

Basically there are two doctrines in the New Testament: how to be saved—that is, justification by grace through faith plus nothing; and how the saved ought to live. Comprehensively, this covers the New Testament. In a very real sense, every other doctrine is properly placed in one of these categories. As an expression of basic Christianity the epistle to the Ephesians stands near the top in any consideration of doctrine and ethics. This was true in the day when Christianity was a young and growing movement. It is equally true in the twentieth century when Christianity has come to be one of the major forces challenging the minds and the loyalties of men.