

Walking Through Ephesians

Northeast church of Christ
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Sequence of Classes

May 17 - Ephesians 1:1-14

May 24 - Ephesians 1:15-23

May 31 - Ephesians 2

June 7 - Ephesians 3:1-12

June 14 - Ephesians 3:13-21

June 21 - Ephesians 4:1-16

June 28 - Ephesians 4:17-32

July 5 - Ephesians 5

July 12 - Ephesians 6

Schedule is subject to change as needed.

Preparation for class:

Read through the book of Ephesians each week. You may utilize this reference material as a general guide to the study. You will find marking suggestions for each chapter followed by questions you can use to guide your study for each chapter. The marking and questions can be extremely helpful to an inductive method of study. Effort placed in preparation will enhance the learning and understanding of the study.

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Suggested Markings

Chapter 1

Mark the phrases mentioning the relationship we sustain to God through Christ (examples: “in Christ”; “through Jesus Christ”; “through His blood”; “in Him”; “in the Lord”; “with Christ”; “in His flesh”; etc.)

Mark all pronouns referring to Christ (mark the entire phrase: “in Christ”); use the same color throughout the book.

Mark in a different color the blessings we enjoy through this relationship.

Mark the phrase “to the praise of His glory”

Chapter 2

Mark all occurrences of “walk”.

Mark all pronouns referring to Christ (mark the entire phrase: “in Christ”); use the same color throughout the book.

Mark in a different color the blessings we enjoy through this relationship.

Chapter 3

Mark all occurrences of “walk”.

Mark all pronouns referring to Christ (mark the entire phrase: “in Christ”); use the same color throughout the book.

Mark the pronouns referring to Paul and the saints at Ephesus in v.1-4.

Mark all references to Paul’s work (examples “stewardship of God’s grace was was given to me for you”; “now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets”; etc.)

Mark in a different color the blessings we enjoy through this relationship.

Chapter 4

Mark all occurrences of “walk”.

Mark all pronouns referring to Christ (mark the entire phrase: “in Christ”); use the same color throughout the book.

Mark the words “unity” and “one”.

Circle the three “to”s in v.13

Mark these words: “understanding”; “ignorance”; “learn”; “heard”; “taught”; “truth”; “mind.”

Mark these phrases: “no longer”; “lay aside”; “laying aside”; “do not”; “Let no”.

Chapter 5

Mark all occurrences of “walk”.

Mark all pronouns referring to Christ (mark the entire phrase: “in Christ”); use the same color throughout the book.

Mark the phrases “of the Lord”, “to the Lord”, “the name of our Lord Jesus Christ” and “of Christ” (or, “of God”) phrases in this section. Use the color you have reserved for “Christ” markings throughout the book.).

Mark “no”; “let no one” (or, “let no man”) and “do not” (or, “be not” or “have no”) phrases.

Mark the words “light” and “darkness”

Mark the phrases that describe the wife’s responsibility.

Mark the phrases that describe the husband's responsibility (use a different color).

Circle the three "that"s in v.26 & 27.

Chapter 6

Mark all occurrences of "walk".

Mark all pronouns referring to Christ (mark the entire phrase: "in Christ"); use the same color throughout the book.

Mark the things mentioned in taking up "the full armor of God".

Mark all references to "stand" in v. 11, 13, 14

Guiding Questions

Chapter 1

“chose us” - v.4

What is the relationship between v.4, 5, 11? What is the blessing that this is referring to?

“inheritance” - v.5

What is the relationship between v.5, 11, 14? What is the blessing that this is referring to?

Who sustains a relationship “in Christ” (v.22-23; 5:23)?

Chapter 2

Define “workmanship”

Why were Christians “created in Christ Jesus”?

What are the “good works” that we should “walk” in?

Chapter 3

Explain the meaning of the phrase “For this reason” as used in v.1 and v.14.

What was God’s eternal plan? v.11

How does Christ “dwell” in your hearts?

Chapter 4

v.1-3 - What are the attitudes necessary to the unity being discussed?

v.4-6 - What are the seven things that form the foundation of this unity?

v.7-12 - What are the things Christ “gave” as a means to this unity?

v.13-16 - Explain the goal of this unity.

What practices are to be “laid aside”?

How did the Holy Spirit “seal” them for the day of redemption?

Label the following sections using the word “walk” in your label. For example, 4:31-5:2: “Walk in love.” If you would like, write these labels in the margin beside the first verse of each section.

A. 4:1-16

B. 4:17-30

C. 4:31-5:2

D. 5:3-14

E. 5:15-21

F. 5:22-33

G. 6:1-4

H. 6:5-9

I. 6:10-20

Chapter 5

What must we, as Christians, always be doing (v.10)?

What comparison is used between Husband's love for wife and Christ?

Chapter 6

Which fathers have responsibility?

What is the nature of the father's responsibility?

Christians are encouraged to be strong "in the Lord." According to the context, how do they do this?

What "struggle" or battle is in view?

Why is it necessary to "put on the full armor of God" in this "struggle"?

Are the things (armor) subjective or objective?