

Study of Ephesians – Week 5

Pray and ask God, through the Holy Spirit, to help you understand the Bible and that its truth would be revealed to you as you study. Then, read the passages of Scripture designated for each day and answer the questions, using the referenced verses.

DAY 1. Read and review Ephesians 3:14-20, and answer the questions.

1.) In Ephesians 3:14-15, Paul begins his prayer with, “for this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name.” How could you apply this attitude and perspective to your prayer life?

2.) Ephesians 3:16-20 is Paul’s prayer for what God might do in a believer’s life, and the church. Who are you praying this prayer for in your life? Will you commit to do so?

3.) From Ephesians 3:16-20, what aspect of this prayer do you want to see realized in your own life?

DAY 2. Read Ephesians 4:1-5, and answer the questions.

1.) What do you think Paul means when he says, “As a prisoner for the Lord...” (Eph. 4:1)?

2.) Verse 4:1 charges the Ephesians to “live a life worthy of the calling you have received.” What is the calling Paul is referring to here? (See also Ephesians 2:8-10, 3:10, 12, 21). Does that same “calling” apply to believers and the church today?

3.) Does your life reflect “the calling you have received” (Eph. 4:1)? How would your life be different if you began each day by asking, “Lord help me live a life worthy of the calling I have received today”?

DAY 3. Read Ephesians 4:1-5, and answer the questions.

1.) Paul defines the Christian life and calling by describing certain attitudes and actions in Ephesians 4:2 (which he also lists in Colossians 3:12). List and describe the 4 virtues:

- (1)
- (2)
- (3)
- (4)

2.) What is the foundation or key unifying factor of the “oneness” discussed in Ephesians 4:4-6?

3.) In Ephesians 4:3-6, the passage then describes the spiritual realities that unite all Christians. List the verse and describe each of them in your own words:

- (1) One body:
- (2) One Spirit:
- (3) One Hope:
- (4) One Lord:
- (5) One Faith:
- (6) One Baptism:
- (7) One God:

DAY 4. Read Ephesians 4:7-16, and answer the questions.

1.) Read Ephesians 4:7-10, Philippians 2:5-11; and John 1:1-18. What do you think the “descent” in Ephesians 4:9 is referring to?

2.) Ephesians 4:1-6 describes the unity in the body of Christ, and Ephesians 4:7-16 describes the idea of diversity within the body. Paul mentioned several spiritual gifts in 4:11-13. How does each contribute to the growth of the body of Christ?

3.) Paul teaches that there is a process that moves toward the goal of Christlikeness, and described 4 parts of that process (Ephesians 4:12-16). List the verse, and explain each in your own words:

- (1) Unity in the faith:
- (2) Unity in knowledge of the Son:
- (3) Maturity:
- (4) The Whole Measure of the fullness of Christ: