### Ephesians

## Chapter 6

1Children:  
  
Obey your parents in our Lord, because this is righteous. 2Honor your father and mother, for this is the first Commandment that came with a promise:  
  
 3‘...that things would go well for you, and that you may live a long time on the land.’ [Exodus 20:12 or Deuteronomy 5:16]  
  
  
4Fathers:  
  
Don’t frustrate your children, but bring them up in the discipline and council of our Lord.  
  
  
5Slaves:  
  
Be obedient to those who are your fleshly masters with reverential fear and sincere hearts, like you would to the Anointed One.  
  
6Don’t just put on a good show to please men, but as slaves of the Anointed One, do the will of God whole-souled.  
  
7Be willing slaves as to the Lord (not of men), 8because you know that whatever good you do will be rewarded by the Lord, whether you’re a slave or a free man.  
  
  
9Masters:  
  
Keep on doing the same for [your slaves]… And don’t be threatening them, because you know that there’s a Master who’s over both them and you in the heavens, and He doesn’t recognize any difference [between you].  
  
  
10[To all:]  
  
Finally, become powerful in the mightiness and strength of the Lord. 11Put on the complete suit of God’s armor, so that you can resist the methods of the Slanderer.  
  
12For our fight isn’t against flesh and blood, but against the governments, the authorities, the mighty ones of this worldly darkness, and against the unseen wicked powers in the heavens.  
  
13So because of this, take up the complete suit [that comes from] God, so you can fight in that wicked day and still be found standing.  
  
14Yes, stand firm with your hips wrapped in the truth and wearing the breastplate of righteousness!  
  
15Wrap your feet and prepare them with the good news of peace.  
  
16And above all else, pick up the large shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming missiles of the wicked one!  
  
17Also, accept the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit (which are the things that God has said).  
  
18Keep on praying and begging [God] about everything in Spirit throughout each season. Be aware of this, and never stop petitioning [God] on behalf of all the Holy Ones.  
  
  
19Also [pray] for me… That the words may be given to me to open my mouth and speak freely so I can make the mystery of the good news known [to others].  
  
20Indeed, that’s why I’m now an ambassador in chains… So that I can speak boldly about these things and to say the things that I’m supposed to say.  
  
  
21Now, so you can know how I’m getting along and what I’m doing, TychiKos (a beloved brother and faithful servant of the Lord) will explain everything to you.  
  
22This is why I’m sending him to you… To let you know what’s happening to us and to bring comfort to your hearts.  
  
  
23Peace to the brothers, and love with faith from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus the Anointed One.  
  
24May all those who have an uncorrupted love for our Lord Jesus the Anointed One receive [His] loving care.  
  
May it be so!

# Philippians

A letter from the Apostle Paul and Timothy to the congregation in Philippi, Greece.  
  
It was probably written down by Timothy due to Paul’s poor eyesight, and it may have originally been in Aramaic. It likely dates from sometime around 62 CE.