

## Ephesians Overview

### Background

*You may want to consult a study Bible or Bible dictionary for help with these questions.*

1. Who is the human author of this letter?

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2. What do you know about him? (his background, his ministry, his culture)

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3. Where was he when he wrote this letter?

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4. Who are the recipients of this letter?

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5. What do you know about them? (their relationship to the author, their circumstances, their relationship to God, their relationship to each other)

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6. How are these people and their circumstances similar to us?

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7. How are they different from us?

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## Major Themes

*Read through the entire letter in one sitting (takes about 20–30 minutes) and then answer the next few questions.*

8. Why was this letter written? (Is the author addressing problems? Is his tone encouraging or confrontational? Does the author seem to have a primary purpose?)

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9. What do you see as the primary themes of this letter? (If you can't decide on one, identify two or three prominent themes.)

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10. What topics from the text are you excited about discussing in the next 2 weeks?

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11. What questions do you have after reading through this book?

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