

# THE EPISTLE OF PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS

Salutation. The Blessings of Redemption.  
Prayer.

PAUL, <sup>a</sup>an apostle of <sup>b</sup>Christ Jesus <sup>1c</sup>by the will of God, to the <sup>2d</sup>saints who are <sup>3a</sup>at <sup>e</sup>Ephesus, and <sup>f</sup>who are faithful in <sup>b</sup>Christ Jesus:

2 <sup>a</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 <sup>a</sup>Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in <sup>b</sup>the heavenly *places* in Christ,

4 just as <sup>a</sup>He chose us in Him before <sup>b</sup>the foundation of the world, that we should be <sup>c</sup>holy and blameless before <sup>1</sup>Him. <sup>d</sup>In love

5 <sup>1</sup>He <sup>a</sup>predestined us to <sup>b</sup>adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, <sup>c</sup>according to the <sup>2</sup>kind intention of His will,

6 <sup>a</sup>to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in <sup>b</sup>the Beloved.

7 <sup>a</sup>In <sup>1</sup>Him we have <sup>b</sup>redemption <sup>c</sup>through His blood, the <sup>d</sup>forgiveness of our trespasses, according to <sup>e</sup>the riches of His grace,

8 which He <sup>1</sup>lavished upon <sup>2</sup>us. In all wisdom and insight

9 He <sup>1a</sup>made known to us the mystery of His will, <sup>b</sup>according to His <sup>2</sup>kind intention which He <sup>c</sup>purposed in Him

10 with a view to an administration <sup>1</sup>suitable to <sup>a</sup>the fulness of the times, *that is*, <sup>b</sup>the summing up of all things in Christ, things <sup>2</sup>in the heavens and things upon the earth. In Him

11 <sup>1</sup>also we <sup>2a</sup>have obtained an inheritance, having been <sup>b</sup>predestined <sup>c</sup>according to His purpose who works all things <sup>d</sup>after the counsel of His will,

12 to the end that we who were the first to hope in <sup>1</sup>Christ should be <sup>a</sup>to the praise of His glory.

13 In <sup>1</sup>Him, you also, after listening to <sup>a</sup>the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also <sup>2</sup>believed, you were <sup>b</sup>sealed in <sup>1</sup>Him with <sup>c</sup>the Holy Spirit of promise,

14 who is <sup>1a</sup>given as a pledge of <sup>b</sup>our inheritance, with a view to the <sup>c</sup>redemption of <sup>d</sup>God's own possession, <sup>e</sup>to the praise of His glory.

15 For this reason I too, <sup>a</sup>having heard of the faith in the Lord Jesus which *exists* among you, and <sup>1</sup>your love for <sup>b</sup>all the <sup>2</sup>saints,

16 <sup>a</sup>do not cease giving thanks for you, <sup>b</sup>while making mention of you in my prayers;

17 that the <sup>a</sup>God of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>b</sup>the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of <sup>c</sup>wisdom and of <sup>d</sup>revelation in the <sup>1</sup>knowledge of Him.

18 *I pray that* <sup>a</sup>the eyes of your heart <sup>1</sup>may be enlightened, so that you may know what is the <sup>b</sup>hope of His <sup>c</sup>calling, what are <sup>d</sup>the riches of the glory of <sup>e</sup>His inheritance in <sup>f</sup>the <sup>2</sup>saints,

19 and what is the surpassing greatness of His power

<sup>1</sup> Lit., *through* <sup>2</sup> i.e., true believers; lit., *holy ones*

<sup>3</sup> Some ancient mss. omit, at

*Ephesus*

<sup>2</sup> Cor. 1:1 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 2:6, 7, 10,

13; 20; 3:1, 6, 11, 21; Col. 1:4;

2:6; 4:12; Rom. 8:1; Gal. 3:26

<sup>c</sup> 1 Cor. 1:1 <sup>d</sup>Acts 9:13; Phil.

1:1; Col. 1:1 <sup>e</sup>Acts 18:19

<sup>f</sup>Col. 1:2

<sup>2</sup> Rom. 1:7

<sup>3</sup> 2 Cor. 1:3 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:20;

2:6; 3:10; 6:12; Phil. 3:20

<sup>4</sup> *Or, Him, in love*

<sup>a</sup>2 Thess. 2:13f.; Eph. 2:10

<sup>b</sup>Matt. 25:34 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 5:27;

Col. 1:22; 2 Tim. 1:9 <sup>d</sup>Eph.

4:2, 15, 16; 5:2

<sup>5</sup> *Lit., having*

*predestined* <sup>2</sup> *Lit., good*

*pleasure*

<sup>a</sup>Eph. 1:11; Rom. 8:29f.; Acts

13:48 <sup>b</sup>Rom. 8:14ff.; Gal. 4:5

<sup>c</sup>Luke 12:32; 1 Cor. 1:21;

Gal. 1:15; Phil. 2:13; Col.

1:19

<sup>6</sup> <sup>a</sup>Eph. 1:12, 14 <sup>b</sup>Matt.

3:17

<sup>7</sup> *Lit., whom*

<sup>a</sup>Col. 1:14 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:14; 1 Cor.

1:30; Rom. 3:24 <sup>c</sup>Acts 20:28;

Rom. 3:25 <sup>d</sup>Acts 2:38 <sup>e</sup>Rom.

2:4; Eph. 1:18; 2:7; 3:8, 16;

Col. 1:27

<sup>8</sup> *Lit., made abundant*

*toward* <sup>2</sup> *Or, us, in all*

*wisdom and insight*

<sup>9</sup> *Lit., making known*

<sup>2</sup> *Lit., good pleasure*

<sup>a</sup>Rom. 11:25; 16:25; Eph. 3:3

<sup>b</sup>Luke 12:32; 1 Cor. 1:21;

Gal. 1:15; Phil. 2:13; Col.

1:19 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 1:11; Rom. 8:28

<sup>10</sup> *Lit., of* <sup>2</sup> *Lit., upon*

<sup>a</sup>Mark 1:15 <sup>b</sup>Col. 1:16, 20;

Eph. 3:15; Phil. 2:9f.

<sup>11</sup> *Lit., in whom also* <sup>2</sup> *Or,*

*we made a heritage*

<sup>a</sup>Eph. 1:14, 18; Titus 2:14;

Deut. 4:20; 9:26, 29; 32:9

<sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:5 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 3:11; Rom.

8:28f. <sup>d</sup>Rom. 9:11; Heb. 6:17

<sup>12</sup> *I.e., the Messiah*

<sup>a</sup>Eph. 1:6, 14

<sup>13</sup> *Lit., whom* <sup>2</sup> *Or,*

*believed in Him, you were*

*sealed*

<sup>a</sup>Col. 1:5; Acts 13:26; Eph.

4:21 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 4:30; John 3:33

<sup>c</sup>Acts 1:4f.; 2:33

<sup>14</sup> *Or, down payment*

<sup>a</sup>2 Cor. 1:22 <sup>b</sup>Acts 20:32

<sup>c</sup>Eph. 1:7 <sup>d</sup>Eph. 1:11 <sup>e</sup>Eph.

1:6, 12

<sup>15</sup> Many ancient mss.

omit, *your love* <sup>2</sup> Note 2, vs. 1

<sup>a</sup>Col. 1:4; Phil. 5; Rom.

1:8 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 3:18; Eph. 1:1

<sup>16</sup> <sup>a</sup>Col. 1:9; Rom. 1:8f.

<sup>b</sup>Rom. 1:9

<sup>17</sup> *Or, true knowledge*

<sup>a</sup>John 20:17; Rom. 15:6

<sup>b</sup>Acts 7:2; 1 Cor. 2:8 <sup>c</sup>Col. 1:9

<sup>d</sup>1 Cor. 14:6

<sup>18</sup> *Lit., being* <sup>2</sup> *i.e., true*

*believers; lit., holy ones*

<sup>a</sup>Acts 26:18; 2 Cor. 4:6; Heb.

6:4 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 4:4 <sup>c</sup>Rom. 11:29

<sup>d</sup>Eph. 1:7 <sup>e</sup>Eph. 1:11 <sup>f</sup>Col.

1:12; Acts 9:13

19 \*Eph. 3:7; Phil. 3:21;  
Col. 1:29 \*Eph. 6:10  
20 \*Acts 2:24 \*Mark 16:19  
\*Eph. 1:3  
21 \*Col. 1:16; Eph. 3:10;  
Rom. 8:38; Matt. 28:18  
\*Phil. 2:9; Heb. 1:4; Rev.  
19:12; John 17:11 \*Eph. 2:2;  
Matt. 12:32  
22 \*1 Cor. 15:27 [fr. Ps. 8:6]  
\*Eph. 4:15; 5:23; Col. 1:18;  
2:19; 1 Cor. 11:3  
23 \*Eph. 4:12; 5:30; Col.  
1:18, 24; 2:19; 1 Cor. 12:27  
\*John 1:16; Eph. 3:19 \*Eph.  
4:10 \*Col. 3:11

1 <sup>1</sup>Lit., being <sup>2</sup>Or, by  
reason of  
\*Eph. 2:5; Col. 2:13; Luke  
15:24, 32  
2 <sup>1</sup>Lit., age  
\*Eph. 2:3, 11, 13; 5:8; Col.  
3:7; Rom. 13:13; 1 Cor. 6:11;  
1 Pet. 4:3 \*Eph. 1:21 \*Eph.  
6:12; John 12:31 \*Eph. 5:6  
3 <sup>1</sup>Lit., doing <sup>2</sup>Lit.,  
thoughts  
\*Eph. 2:2 \*Gal. 5:16f. \*Rom.  
2:14; Gal. 2:15 \*Rom. 5:10;  
Col. 1:21; 2 Pet. 2:14 \*Rom.  
5:12, 19; 1 Thess. 4:13; 5:6  
4 \*Eph. 1:7 \*John 3:16  
5 <sup>1</sup>Or, by reason of <sup>2</sup>Some  
ancient mss. read, in Christ  
\*Eph. 2:1 \*Eph. 2:8; Acts  
15:11

6 \*Col. 2:12 \*Eph. 1:20  
\*Eph. 1:3 \*Eph. 1:1; 2:10, 13  
7 \*Rom. 2:4; Eph. 1:7  
\*Titus 3:4  
8 <sup>1</sup>I.e., that salvation  
\*Eph. 2:5; Acts 15:11 \*1 Pet.  
1:5 \*John 4:10; Heb. 6:4  
9 \*2 Tim. 1:9; Titus 3:5;  
Rom. 3:28 \*1 Cor. 1:29  
10 \*Eph. 2:15; 4:24; Col.  
3:10 \*Eph. 1:1; 2:6, 13 \*Titus  
2:14 \*Eph. 1:4 \*Eph. 4:1  
11 \*Eph. 2:2, 3, 13; 5:8; Col.  
3:7; Rom. 13:13; 1 Cor. 6:11;  
1 Pet. 4:3 \*1 Cor. 12:2; Eph.  
5:8; Col. 2:11, 13; Rom.  
2:28f.

12 <sup>1</sup>Or, alienated  
\*Rom. 9:4; Col. 1:21 \*Gal.  
3:17; Heb. 8:6 \*1 Thess. 4:13  
\*Gal. 4:8; 1 Thess. 4:5; Eph.  
4:18

13 <sup>1</sup>Lit., became, or, were  
made <sup>2</sup>Or, in  
\*Eph. 1:1; 2:6, 10 \*Eph. 2:2,  
3, 11; 5:8; Col. 3:7; Rom.  
13:13; 1 Cor. 6:11; 1 Pet. 4:3  
\*Eph. 2:17; Acts 2:39; Is.  
57:19 \*Col. 1:20; Rom. 3:25

14 <sup>1</sup>Lit., the dividing wall  
of the barrier  
\*Eph. 2:15; Col. 3:15; Gal.  
3:28; Col. 3:11; Is. 9:6  
\*1 Cor. 12:13

15 <sup>1</sup>Or, the enmity, by  
abolishing in His flesh the  
Law <sup>2</sup>Lit., create  
\*Eph. 2:16; Col. 1:21f. \*Col.  
2:14; 2:20 \*Eph. 2:10; 4:24;  
Col. 3:10 \*Gal. 3:28; Col.  
3:10f. \*Eph. 2:14; Col. 3:15;  
Gal. 3:28; Col. 3:11; Is. 9:6

16 <sup>1</sup>Or, in Himself  
\*Col. 1:20, 22; 2 Cor. 5:18  
\*Eph. 4:4; 1 Cor. 10:17 \*Eph.  
2:15

toward us who believe. <sup>a</sup>These are in accordance with the working of the <sup>b</sup>strength of His might

20 which He brought about in Christ, when He <sup>a</sup>raised Him from the dead, and <sup>b</sup>seated Him at His right hand in <sup>c</sup>the heavenly places,

21 far above <sup>a</sup>all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every <sup>b</sup>name that is named, not only in <sup>c</sup>this age, but also in the one to come.

22 And He <sup>a</sup>put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as <sup>b</sup>head over all things to the church,

23 which is His <sup>a</sup>body, the <sup>b</sup>fulness of Him who <sup>c</sup>fills <sup>d</sup>all in all.

## CHAPTER 2

AND you <sup>1</sup>were <sup>a</sup>dead <sup>2</sup>in your trespasses and sins,

2 in which you <sup>a</sup>formerly walked according to the <sup>1</sup>course of <sup>b</sup>this world, according to <sup>c</sup>the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in <sup>d</sup>the sons of disobedience.

3 Among them we too all <sup>a</sup>formerly lived in <sup>b</sup>the lusts of our flesh, <sup>1</sup>indulging the desires of the flesh and of the <sup>2</sup>mind, and were <sup>c</sup>by nature <sup>d</sup>children of wrath, <sup>e</sup>even as the rest.

4 But God, being <sup>a</sup>rich in mercy, because of <sup>b</sup>His great love with which He loved us,

5 even when we were <sup>a</sup>dead <sup>1</sup>in our transgressions, <sup>a</sup>made us alive together <sup>2</sup>with Christ (<sup>b</sup>by grace you have been saved),

6 and <sup>a</sup>raised us up with Him, and <sup>b</sup>seated us with Him in <sup>c</sup>the heavenly places, in <sup>d</sup>Christ Jesus,

7 in order that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing <sup>a</sup>riches of His grace in <sup>b</sup>kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

8 For <sup>a</sup>by grace you have been saved <sup>b</sup>through faith; and <sup>1</sup>that not of yourselves, *it is* <sup>c</sup>the gift of God;

9 <sup>a</sup>not as a result of works, that <sup>b</sup>no one should boast.

10 For we are His workmanship, <sup>a</sup>created in <sup>b</sup>Christ Jesus for <sup>c</sup>good works, which God <sup>d</sup>prepared beforehand, that we should <sup>e</sup>walk in them.

11 Therefore remember, that <sup>a</sup>formerly <sup>b</sup>you, the Gentiles in the flesh, who are called "<sup>c</sup>Uncircumcision" by the so-called "<sup>c</sup>Circumcision," *which is performed in the flesh by human hands*—

12 *remember* that you were at that time separate from Christ, <sup>1</sup>excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to <sup>b</sup>the covenants of promise, having <sup>c</sup>no hope and <sup>d</sup>without God in the world.

13 But now in <sup>a</sup>Christ Jesus you who <sup>b</sup>formerly were <sup>c</sup>far off <sup>1</sup>have <sup>c</sup>been brought near <sup>2d</sup>by the blood of Christ.

14 For He Himself is <sup>a</sup>our peace, <sup>b</sup>who made both *groups into one*, and broke down the <sup>1</sup>barrier of the dividing wall,

15 <sup>1</sup>by <sup>a</sup>abolishing in His flesh the enmity, *which is* <sup>b</sup>the Law of commandments *contained* in ordinances, that in Himself He might <sup>2c</sup>make the two into <sup>d</sup>one new man, *thus* establishing <sup>e</sup>peace,

16 and might <sup>a</sup>reconcile them both in <sup>b</sup>one body to God through the cross, <sup>1</sup>by it having <sup>c</sup>put to death the enmity.

17 AND <sup>a</sup>HE CAME AND PREACHED <sup>b</sup>PEACE TO YOU WHO WERE <sup>c</sup>FAR AWAY, AND PEACE TO THOSE WHO WERE <sup>c</sup>NEAR;

18 for through Him we both have <sup>a</sup>our access in <sup>b</sup>one Spirit to <sup>c</sup>the Father.

19 So then you are no longer <sup>a</sup>strangers and aliens, but you are <sup>b</sup>fellow-citizens with the <sup>1</sup>saints, and are of <sup>c</sup>God's household,

20 having been <sup>a</sup>built upon <sup>b</sup>the foundation of <sup>c</sup>the apostles and prophets, <sup>d</sup>Christ Jesus Himself being the <sup>c</sup>cornerstone,

21 <sup>a</sup>in whom the whole building, being fitted together is growing into <sup>a</sup>holy <sup>1</sup>temple in the Lord;

22 in whom you also are being <sup>a</sup>built together into a <sup>b</sup>dwell-ing of God in the Spirit.

## CHAPTER 3

FOR this reason I Paul, <sup>a</sup>the prisoner of <sup>b</sup>Christ Jesus <sup>c</sup>for the sake of you <sup>d</sup>Gentiles—

2 if indeed you have heard of the <sup>a</sup>stewardship of God's grace which was given to me for you;

3 <sup>a</sup>that <sup>b</sup>by revelation there was <sup>c</sup>made known to me <sup>d</sup>the mystery, <sup>e</sup>as I wrote before in brief.

4 <sup>1</sup>And by referring to this, when you read you can understand <sup>a</sup>my insight <sup>2</sup>into the <sup>b</sup>mystery of Christ,

5 which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy <sup>a</sup>apostles and prophets <sup>1</sup>in the Spirit;

6 *to be specific*, that the Gentiles are <sup>a</sup>fellow-heirs and <sup>b</sup>fellow-members of the body, and <sup>c</sup>fellow-partakers of the promise in <sup>d</sup>Christ Jesus through the gospel,

7 <sup>a</sup>of which I was made a <sup>b</sup>minister, according to the gift of <sup>c</sup>God's grace which was given to me <sup>d</sup>according to the working of His power.

8 To me, <sup>a</sup>the very least of all <sup>1</sup>saints, this grace was given, to <sup>b</sup>preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable <sup>c</sup>riches of Christ,

9 and to bring to light what is the administration of the <sup>a</sup>mystery which for ages has been <sup>b</sup>hidden in God, <sup>c</sup>who created all things;

10 in order that the manifold <sup>a</sup>wisdom of God might now be <sup>b</sup>made known through the church to the <sup>c</sup>rulers and the authorities in <sup>d</sup>the heavenly *places*.

11 *This was* in <sup>a</sup>accordance with the <sup>1</sup>eternal purpose which He <sup>2</sup>carried out in <sup>b</sup>Christ Jesus our Lord,

12 in whom we have <sup>a</sup>boldness and <sup>1</sup>confident <sup>c</sup>access through faith <sup>2</sup>in Him.

13 Therefore I ask <sup>1</sup>you not <sup>a</sup>to lose heart at my tribulations <sup>b</sup>on your behalf, <sup>2</sup>for they are your glory.

14 For this reason, I <sup>a</sup>bow my knees before the Father,

15 from whom <sup>1</sup>every family in heaven and on earth derives its name,

16 that He would grant you, according to <sup>a</sup>the riches of His glory, to be <sup>b</sup>strengthened with power through His Spirit in <sup>c</sup>the inner man;

17 <sup>a</sup>Is. 57:19; Rom. 10:14; Eph. 4:21 <sup>b</sup>Acts 10:36; Eph. 2:14 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 2:13; Acts 2:39; Is. 57:19

18 <sup>a</sup>Eph. 3:12; Rom. 5:2 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 4:4; 1 Cor. 12:13 <sup>c</sup>Col. 1:12

19 <sup>1</sup>I.e., true believers; lit., *holy ones*  
<sup>a</sup>Eph. 2:12; Heb. 11:13;  
1 Pet. 2:11 <sup>b</sup>Phil. 3:20; Heb. 12:22f. <sup>c</sup>Gal. 6:10

20 <sup>1</sup>1 Cor. 3:9 <sup>b</sup>Matt. 16:18; Rev. 21:14; 1 Cor. 3:10  
<sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 12:28; Eph. 3:5  
<sup>d</sup>1 Cor. 2:11 <sup>c</sup>Luke 20:17 [Ps. 118:22]; 1 Pet. 2:6 [Is. 28:16]

21 <sup>1</sup>Or, *sanctuary*  
<sup>a</sup>Eph. 4:15f.; Col. 2:19  
<sup>b</sup>1 Cor. 3:16f.

22 <sup>1</sup>1 Cor. 3:9, 16; 2 Cor. 6:16 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 3:17

1 <sup>a</sup>Acts 23:18; Eph. 4:1;  
2 Tim. 1:8; Philem. 1, 9; 23  
<sup>b</sup>Gal. 5:24 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 3:13; 2 Cor. 1:6 <sup>d</sup>Eph. 3:8

2 <sup>a</sup>Col. 1:25; 1 Tim. 1:4;  
Eph. 1:10; 3:9

3 <sup>a</sup>Acts 22:17, 21; 26:16ff.  
<sup>b</sup>Gal. 1:12 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 1:9; 3:4, 9  
<sup>d</sup>Eph. 3:4, 9; 6:19; Col. 1:26f.; 4:3; Rom. 11:25; 16:25  
<sup>e</sup>Eph. 1:9f. [Heb. 13:22;  
1 Pet. 5:12]

4 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *to which, when you read* <sup>2</sup>Lit., *in*  
<sup>a</sup>2 Cor. 11:6 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 3:3, 9;  
6:19; Col. 1:26f.; 4:3; Rom. 11:25; 16:25

5 <sup>1</sup>Or, *by*  
<sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 12:28; Eph. 2:20

6 <sup>a</sup>Gal. 3:29 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 2:16  
<sup>c</sup>Eph. 5:7 <sup>d</sup>Gal. 5:24

7 <sup>a</sup>Col. 1:23, 25 <sup>b</sup>1 Cor. 3:5  
<sup>c</sup>Eph. 3:2; Rom. 12:3; Acts 9:15 <sup>d</sup>Eph. 1:19; 3:20

8 <sup>1</sup>I.e., true believers; lit., *holy ones*  
<sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 15:9 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 3:1f.; Acts 9:15 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 3:16; 1:7; Rom. 2:4

9 <sup>a</sup>Eph. 3:3, 4; 6:19; Col. 1:26f.; 4:3; Rom. 11:25; 16:25  
<sup>b</sup>Col. 3:3 <sup>c</sup>Rev. 4:11

10 <sup>a</sup>Rom. 11:33; 1 Cor. 2:7  
<sup>b</sup>1 Pet. 1:12; Eph. 1:23 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 1:21; 6:12; Col. 2:10, 15  
<sup>d</sup>Eph. 1:3

11 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *purpose of the ages*  
<sup>2</sup>Or, *formed*  
<sup>a</sup>Eph. 1:11 <sup>b</sup>Gal. 5:24; Eph. 3:1

12 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *access in confidence* <sup>2</sup>Lit., *of Him*  
<sup>a</sup>Heb. 4:16; 10:19, 35; 1 John 2:28; 3:21 <sup>b</sup>2 Cor. 3:4 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 2:18

13 <sup>1</sup>Or, *that I may not lose*  
<sup>2</sup>Lit., *which are*  
<sup>a</sup>2 Cor. 4:1 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 3:1

14 <sup>a</sup>Phil. 2:10

15 <sup>1</sup>Or, *the whole*

16 <sup>a</sup>Eph. 3:8; 1:18 <sup>b</sup>Phil. 4:13; Col. 1:11; 1 Cor. 16:13  
<sup>c</sup>Rom. 7:22

17 <sup>a</sup>John 14:23; Rom. 8:9f.;  
2 Cor. 13:5; Eph. 2:22 <sup>b</sup>Col.  
2:7; 1 Cor. 3:6 <sup>c</sup>Col. 1:23

18 <sup>1</sup>Note vs. 8  
<sup>a</sup>Eph. 1:15 <sup>b</sup>Job 11:8f.

19 <sup>a</sup>Rom. 8:39; 8:35 <sup>b</sup>Phil.  
4:7 <sup>c</sup>Col. 2:10 <sup>d</sup>Eph. 1:23

20 <sup>a</sup>Rom. 16:25 <sup>b</sup>2 Cor. 9:8  
<sup>c</sup>Eph. 3:7

21 <sup>1</sup>Lit., of the age of the  
ages  
<sup>a</sup>Rom. 11:36

1 <sup>a</sup>Eph. 3:1 <sup>b</sup>Rom. 12:1  
<sup>c</sup>Col. 1:10; 1 Thess. 2:12;  
Eph. 2:10; Col. 2:6 <sup>d</sup>Rom.  
11:29 <sup>e</sup>Rom. 8:28f.

2 <sup>a</sup>Col. 3:12f. <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:4

3 <sup>a</sup>Col. 3:14f.

4 <sup>a</sup>Eph. 2:16, 18; 1 Cor.  
12:4ff. <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:18

5 <sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 8:6

6 <sup>a</sup>Rom. 11:36; Col. 1:16

7 <sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 12:7, 11 <sup>b</sup>Eph.  
3:2 <sup>c</sup>Rom. 12:3

8 <sup>1</sup>Or, He  
<sup>a</sup>Ps. 68:18 <sup>b</sup>Judg. 5:12; Col.  
2:15

9 <sup>1</sup>Lit., is it except <sup>2</sup>Some  
ancient mss. read, had first  
descended  
<sup>a</sup>John 3:13 <sup>b</sup>Is. 44:23; Ps. 63:9

10 <sup>a</sup>Heb. 4:14; 7:26; 9:24;  
Eph. 1:20f. <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:23

11 <sup>a</sup>Eph. 4:8 <sup>b</sup>1 Cor. 12:28;  
Acts 13:1 <sup>c</sup>Acts 21:8 <sup>d</sup>Acts  
13:1

12 <sup>1</sup>I.e., true believers; lit.,  
holy ones  
<sup>a</sup>2 Cor. 13:9 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:23;  
1 Cor. 12:27

13 <sup>1</sup>Or, true knowledge  
<sup>2</sup>Lit., of the fulness  
<sup>a</sup>Eph. 4:3, 5 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:17; Phil.  
3:10; John 6:69 <sup>c</sup>Heb. 5:14;  
1 Cor. 14:20; Col. 1:28 <sup>d</sup>John  
1:16; Gal. 4:19; Eph. 1:23

14 <sup>1</sup>Lit., that we may no  
longer be <sup>2</sup>Lit., with regard  
to the scheming of deceit  
<sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 14:20 <sup>b</sup>James 1:6;  
Jude 12 <sup>c</sup>1 Cor. 3:19; 2 Cor.  
4:2; 11:3 <sup>d</sup>Eph. 6:11

15 <sup>1</sup>Or, holding to, or,  
walking in <sup>2</sup>Lit., may grow  
up  
<sup>a</sup>Eph. 1:4 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 2:21 <sup>c</sup>Eph.  
1:22

16 <sup>1</sup>Lit., through every  
joint of the supply <sup>2</sup>Lit.,  
working in measure  
<sup>a</sup>Col. 2:19; Rom. 12:4f.;  
1 Cor. 10:17 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:4

17 <sup>a</sup>Col. 2:4 <sup>b</sup>Luke 16:28

17 so that <sup>a</sup>Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith;  
and that you, being <sup>b</sup>rooted and <sup>c</sup>grounded in love,

18 may be able to comprehend with <sup>a</sup>all the <sup>1</sup>saints what is  
<sup>b</sup>the breadth and length and height and depth,

19 and to know <sup>a</sup>the love of Christ which <sup>b</sup>surpasses knowl-  
edge, that you may be <sup>c</sup>filled up to all the <sup>d</sup>fulness of God.

20 <sup>a</sup>Now to Him who is <sup>b</sup>able to do exceeding abundantly  
beyond all that we ask or think, <sup>c</sup>according to the power that  
works within us,

21 <sup>a</sup>to Him *be* the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus  
to all generations <sup>1</sup>forever and ever. Amen.

## CHAPTER 4

I, THEREFORE, <sup>a</sup>the prisoner of the Lord, <sup>b</sup>treat you to  
<sup>c</sup>walk in a manner worthy of the <sup>d</sup>calling with which you have  
been <sup>e</sup>called,

2 with all <sup>a</sup>humility and gentleness, with patience, show-  
ing forbearance to one another <sup>b</sup>in love,

3 being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the  
<sup>a</sup>bond of peace.

4 *There is* <sup>a</sup>one body and one Spirit, just as also you were  
called in one <sup>b</sup>hope of your calling;

5 <sup>a</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

6 one God and Father of all <sup>a</sup>who is over all and through  
all and in all.

7 But <sup>a</sup>to each one of us <sup>b</sup>grace was given <sup>c</sup>according to  
the measure of Christ's gift.

8 Therefore <sup>1</sup>it says,

*"WHEN HE ASCENDED ON HIGH,*

*HE <sup>b</sup>LED CAPTIVE A HOST OF CAPTIVES,*

*AND HE GAVE GIFTS TO MEN."*

9 (Now this *expression*, "He <sup>a</sup>ascended," what <sup>1</sup>does it  
mean except that He also <sup>2</sup>had descended into <sup>b</sup>the lower parts  
of the earth?

10 He who descended is Himself also He who ascended  
<sup>a</sup>far above all the heavens, that He might <sup>b</sup>fill all things.)

11 And He <sup>a</sup>gave <sup>b</sup>some *as* apostles, and some *as* prophets,  
and some *as* evangelists, and some *as* pastors and <sup>d</sup>teachers,

12 <sup>a</sup>for the equipping of the <sup>1</sup>saints for the work of service,  
to the building up of <sup>b</sup>the body of Christ;

13 until we all attain to <sup>a</sup>the unity of the faith, and of the  
<sup>1</sup>knowledge of the Son of God, to a <sup>c</sup>mature man, to the  
measure of the stature <sup>2</sup>which belongs to the <sup>d</sup>fulness of Christ.

14 <sup>1</sup>As a result, we are <sup>a</sup>no longer to be children, <sup>b</sup>tossed  
here and there by waves, and carried about by every wind of  
doctrine, by the trickery of men, by <sup>c</sup>craftiness <sup>2</sup>in <sup>d</sup>deceitful  
scheming;

15 but <sup>1</sup>speaking the truth <sup>a</sup>in love, we <sup>2</sup>are to <sup>b</sup>grow up in  
all *aspects* into Him, who is the <sup>c</sup>head, *even* Christ,

16 from whom <sup>a</sup>the whole body, being fitted and held  
together <sup>1</sup>by that which every joint supplies, according to the  
<sup>2</sup>proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of  
the body for the building up of itself <sup>b</sup>in love.

17 <sup>a</sup>This I say therefore, and <sup>b</sup>affirm together with the

Lord, <sup>c</sup>that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the <sup>d</sup>futility of their mind,

18 being <sup>a</sup>darkened in their understanding, <sup>1</sup>excluded from <sup>b</sup>the life of God, because of the <sup>c</sup>ignorance that is in them, because of the <sup>d</sup>hardness of their heart;

19 and they, having <sup>a</sup>become callous, <sup>b</sup>have given themselves over to <sup>c</sup>sensuality, <sup>1</sup>for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness.

20 But you did not <sup>a</sup>learn <sup>1</sup>Christ in this way,

21 if indeed you <sup>a</sup>have heard Him and have <sup>b</sup>been taught in Him, just as truth is in Jesus,

22 that, in reference to your former manner of life, you <sup>a</sup>lay aside the <sup>b</sup>old <sup>1</sup>self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the <sup>c</sup>lusts of deceit,

23 and that you be <sup>a</sup>renewed in the spirit of your mind,

24 and <sup>a</sup>put on the <sup>b</sup>new <sup>1</sup>self, which <sup>2</sup>in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

25 Therefore, <sup>a</sup>laying aside falsehood, <sup>b</sup>SPEAK TRUTH, EACH ONE of you, WITH HIS NEIGHBOR, for we are <sup>c</sup>members of one another.

26 <sup>a</sup>BE ANGRY, AND yet DO NOT SIN; do not let <sup>b</sup>the sun go down on your anger,

27 and do not <sup>a</sup>give the devil an <sup>1</sup>opportunity.

28 Let him who steals steal no longer; but rather <sup>a</sup>let him labor, <sup>b</sup>performing with his own hands what is good, <sup>c</sup>in order that he may have something to share with him who has need.

29 Let no <sup>1a</sup>unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for <sup>b</sup>edification <sup>2</sup>according to the need of the moment, that it may give grace to those who hear.

30 And <sup>a</sup>do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, <sup>1</sup>by whom you were <sup>b</sup>sealed for the day of redemption.

31 <sup>a</sup>Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be <sup>b</sup>put away from you, along with all <sup>c</sup>malice.

32 And <sup>a</sup>be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, <sup>b</sup>just as God in Christ also has forgiven <sup>1</sup>you.

## CHAPTER 5

<sup>a</sup>THEREFORE be imitators of God, as beloved children; 2 and <sup>a</sup>walk in love, just as Christ also <sup>b</sup>loved <sup>1</sup>you, and <sup>c</sup>gave Himself up for us, an <sup>d</sup>offering and a sacrifice to God <sup>2</sup>as a <sup>c</sup>fragrant aroma.

3 But do not let <sup>a</sup>immorality <sup>1</sup>or any impurity or greed even be named among you, as is proper among <sup>2</sup>saints;

4 and there must be no <sup>a</sup>filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which <sup>b</sup>are not fitting, but rather <sup>c</sup>giving of thanks.

5 For this you know with certainty, that <sup>a</sup>no <sup>1</sup>immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom <sup>b</sup>of Christ and God.

6 <sup>a</sup>Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things <sup>b</sup>the wrath of God comes upon <sup>c</sup>the sons of disobedience.

7 Therefore do not be <sup>a</sup>partakers with them;

17 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 2:2; 4:22 <sup>d</sup>Rom. 1:21; Col. 2:18; 1 Pet. 1:18; 2 Pet. 2:18

18 <sup>1</sup>Or, alienated <sup>a</sup>Rom. 1:21 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 2:1, 12 <sup>c</sup>Acts 17:30; Heb. 5:2; 9:7; 1 Pet. 1:14; Acts 3:17; 1 Cor. 2:8 <sup>d</sup>Mark 3:5; Rom. 11:7, 25; 2 Cor. 3:14

19 <sup>1</sup>Or, greedy for the practice of every kind of impurity

<sup>a</sup>1 Tim. 4:2 <sup>b</sup>Rom. 1:24 <sup>c</sup>Col. 3:5

20 <sup>1</sup>I.e., the Messiah <sup>a</sup>Matt. 11:29

21 <sup>a</sup>Rom. 10:14; Eph. 1:13; 2:17; Col. 1:5 <sup>b</sup>Col. 2:7

22 <sup>1</sup>Lit., man <sup>a</sup>Eph. 4:25, 31; Col. 3:8; Heb. 12:1 [Gr.]; James 1:21; 1 Pet. 2:1 <sup>b</sup>Rom. 6:6 <sup>c</sup>2 Cor. 11:3; Heb. 3:13

23 <sup>a</sup>Rom. 12:2

24 <sup>1</sup>Lit., man <sup>2</sup>Lit., according to God <sup>a</sup>Rom. 13:14 <sup>b</sup>Col. 3:10; Rom. 6:4; 7:6; 12:2; 2 Cor. 5:17 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 2:10

25 <sup>a</sup>Eph. 4:22, 31; Col. 3:8; Heb. 12:1 [Gr.]; James 1:21; 1 Pet. 2:1 <sup>b</sup>Zech. 8:16; Col. 3:9; Eph. 4:15 <sup>c</sup>Rom. 12:5

26 <sup>a</sup>Ps. 4:4 <sup>b</sup>Deut. 24:15

27 <sup>1</sup>Lit., place <sup>a</sup>James 4:7; Rom. 12:19

28 <sup>a</sup>Acts 20:35; 1 Cor. 4:12; Gal. 6:10 <sup>b</sup>1 Thess. 4:11; 2 Thess. 3:8, 11f.; Titus 3:8, 14 <sup>c</sup>Luke 3:11; 1 Thess. 4:12

29 <sup>1</sup>Lit., rotten <sup>2</sup>Lit., of the need <sup>a</sup>Eph. 5:4; Col. 3:8; Matt. 12:34 <sup>b</sup>Rom. 14:19; Col. 4:6; Eccl. 10:12

30 <sup>1</sup>Lit., in <sup>a</sup>Is. 63:10; 1 Thess. 5:19 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:13; John 3:33

31 <sup>a</sup>Col. 3:8, 19; Rom. 3:14 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 4:22 <sup>c</sup>1 Pet. 2:1

32 <sup>1</sup>Some ancient mss. read, us <sup>a</sup>Col. 3:12f.; 1 Cor. 13:4; 1 Pet. 3:8 <sup>b</sup>Matt. 6:14f.; 2 Cor. 2:10

<sup>1</sup>Eph. 4:32; Luke 6:36; Matt. 5:48

2 <sup>1</sup>Some ancient mss. read, us <sup>2</sup>Lit., for an odor of fragrance <sup>a</sup>Rom. 14:15; Col. 3:14

<sup>b</sup>John 13:34; Rom. 8:37 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 5:25; Gal. 2:20; Rom. 4:25; John 6:51 <sup>d</sup>Heb. 7:27; 9:14; 10:10, 12 <sup>e</sup>2 Cor. 2:14; Ex. 29:18, 25

3 <sup>1</sup>Lit., and all <sup>2</sup>I.e., true believers; lit., holy ones <sup>a</sup>Col. 3:5

4 <sup>a</sup>Eph. 4:29; Col. 3:8; Matt. 12:34 <sup>b</sup>Rom. 1:28 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 5:20

5 <sup>1</sup>I.e., one who commits sexual immorality <sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 6:9; Col. 3:5 <sup>b</sup>Col. 1:13

6 <sup>a</sup>Col. 2:8 <sup>b</sup>Rom. 1:18; Col. 3:6 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 2:2; Col. 3:6

7 <sup>a</sup>Eph. 3:6

8 \*Eph. 2:2 bActs 26:18;  
Col. 1:12f. cLuke 16:8; John  
12:36; Rom. 13:12

9 \*Gal. 5:22 bRom. 15:14

10 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *proving what*  
\*Rom. 12:2

11 <sup>1</sup>Or, *reprove*  
\*1 Cor. 5:9; 2 Cor. 6:14  
bRom. 13:12 cActs 26:18;  
Col. 1:12f. d1 Tim. 5:20

13 <sup>1</sup>Or, *reproved*  
\*John 3:20f.

14 <sup>1</sup>Or, *He*  
\*Is. 26:19; Is. 51:17; 52:1; 60:1  
bRom. 13:11 cEph. 2:1  
dLuke 1:78f.

15 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *look carefully*  
\*Eph. 5:2 cCol. 4:5

16 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *redeeming the*  
*time*  
\*Col. 4:5 bEph. 6:13; Gal. 1:4

17 \*Rom. 12:2; Col. 1:9;  
1 Thess. 4:3

18 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *in which is*  
\*Prov. 20:1; 23:31f.; Rom.  
13:13; 1 Cor. 5:11; 1 Thess.  
5:7 bTitus 1:6; 1 Pet. 4:4  
cLuke 1:15

19 <sup>1</sup>Or, *yourselves*  
\*Col. 3:16; James 5:13  
b1 Cor. 14:26 cActs 16:25  
dRev. 5:9 e1 Cor. 14:15

20 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *the God and*  
*Father*  
\*Eph. 5:4; Col. 3:17; Rom.  
1:8 b1 Cor. 15:24

21 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *being subject* <sup>2</sup>Or,  
*reverence*  
\*Gal. 5:13; 1 Pet. 5:5; Phil.  
2:3 b2 Cor. 5:11

22 \*Eph. 5:22 to Eph. 6:9;  
Col. 3:18 to \*1 b1 Cor.  
14:34f.; Titus 2:5; 1 Pet. 3:1  
cEph. 6:5

23 \*1 Cor. 11:3 bEph. 1:22  
c1 Cor. 6:13

25 \*Eph. 5:28, 33; 1 Pet. 3:7  
bEph. 5:2

26 \*Heb. 10:10, 14, 29;  
13:12; Titus 2:14 b2 Pet. 1:9  
cTitus 3:5; Acts 22:16; 1 Cor.  
6:11 dJohn 15:3; 17:17; Eph.  
6:17; Rom. 10:8f.

27 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *glorious*  
\*2 Cor. 11:2; Col. 1:22;  
2 Cor. 4:14 bEph. 1:4

28 \*Eph. 5:25, 33; 1 Pet. 3:7  
b1 Cor. 6:15; 12:27 bEph.  
1:23

31 \*Gen. 2:24; Matt. 19:5;  
Mark 10:7f.

33 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *fear*  
\*Eph. 5:25, 28; 1 Pet. 3:7  
b1 Pet. 3:2, 5f.

8 for <sup>a</sup>you were formerly <sup>b</sup>darkness, but now you are light  
in the Lord; walk as <sup>c</sup>children of light

9 (for <sup>a</sup>the fruit of the light *consists* in all <sup>b</sup>goodness and  
righteousness and truth),

10 <sup>1</sup>atrying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord.

11 And <sup>a</sup>do not participate in the unfruitful <sup>b</sup>deeds of <sup>c</sup>dark-  
ness, but instead even <sup>1</sup>dexpose them;

12 for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which  
are done by them in secret.

13 But all things become visible <sup>a</sup>when they are <sup>1</sup>exposed  
by the light, for everything that becomes visible is light.

14 For this reason <sup>1</sup>it says,

“<sup>b</sup>AWAKE, SLEEPER,

AND ARISE FROM <sup>c</sup>THE DEAD,

AND CHRIST <sup>d</sup>WILL SHINE ON YOU.”

15 Therefore <sup>1</sup>be careful how you <sup>a</sup>walk, not <sup>b</sup>as unwise  
men, but as wise,

16 <sup>1</sup>amaking the most of your time, because <sup>b</sup>the days are  
evil.

17 So then do not be foolish, but <sup>a</sup>understand what the  
will of the Lord is.

18 And <sup>a</sup>do not get drunk with wine, <sup>1</sup>for that is <sup>b</sup>dissipa-  
tion, but be <sup>c</sup>filled with the Spirit,

19 <sup>a</sup>speaking to <sup>1</sup>one another in <sup>b</sup>psalms and <sup>c</sup>hymns and  
spiritual <sup>d</sup>songs, <sup>e</sup>singing and making melody with your heart to  
the Lord;

20 <sup>a</sup>always giving thanks for all things in the name of our  
Lord Jesus Christ to <sup>1</sup>bGod, even the Father;

21 <sup>1</sup>aand be subject to one another in the <sup>2</sup>b<sup>1</sup>fear of Christ.

22 <sup>a</sup>Wives, <sup>b</sup>be subject to your own husbands, <sup>c</sup>as to the  
Lord.

23 For <sup>a</sup>the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also  
is the <sup>b</sup>head of the church, He Himself <sup>c</sup>being the Savior of the  
body.

24 But as the church is subject to Christ, so also the wives  
ought to be to their husbands in everything.

25 <sup>a</sup>Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the  
church and <sup>b</sup>gave Himself up for her;

26 <sup>a</sup>that He might sanctify her, having <sup>b</sup>cleansed her by  
the <sup>c</sup>washing of water with <sup>d</sup>the word,

27 that He might <sup>a</sup>present to Himself the church <sup>1</sup>in all  
her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that  
she should be <sup>b</sup>holy and blameless.

28 So husbands ought also to <sup>a</sup>love their own wives as their  
own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself;

29 for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and  
cherishes it, just as Christ also *does* the church,

30 because we are <sup>a</sup>members of His <sup>b</sup>body.

31 <sup>a</sup>FOR THIS CAUSE A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND  
MOTHER, AND SHALL CLEAVE TO HIS WIFE; AND THE TWO SHALL  
BECOME ONE FLESH.

32 This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference  
to Christ and the church.

33 Nevertheless let each individual among you also <sup>a</sup>love  
his own wife even as himself; and *let* the wife *see to it* that she  
<sup>1</sup>brespect her husband.

CHAPTER 6

**C**HILDREN, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

2 <sup>a</sup>HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER (which is the first commandment with a promise),

3 <sup>a</sup>THAT IT MAY BE WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT YOU MAY LIVE LONG ON THE EARTH.

4 And, <sup>a</sup>fathers, do not provoke your children to anger; but <sup>b</sup>bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

5 <sup>a</sup>Slaves, be obedient to those who are your <sup>1</sup>masters according to the flesh, with <sup>b</sup>fear and trembling, in the sincerity of your heart, <sup>c</sup>as to Christ;

6 <sup>a</sup>not <sup>1</sup>by way of eyeservice, as <sup>b</sup>men-pleasers, but as <sup>c</sup>slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the <sup>2</sup>heart.

7 With good will <sup>1</sup>render service, <sup>a</sup>as to the Lord, and not to men,

8 <sup>a</sup>knowing that <sup>b</sup>whatever good thing each one does, this he will receive back from the Lord, <sup>c</sup>whether slave or free.

9 And, masters, do the same things to them, and <sup>a</sup>give up threatening, knowing that <sup>b</sup>both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is <sup>c</sup>no partiality with Him.

10 Finally, <sup>a</sup>be strong in the Lord, and in <sup>b</sup>the strength of His might.

11 <sup>a</sup>Put on the full armor of God, that you may be able to stand firm against the <sup>b</sup>schemes of the devil.

12 For our <sup>a</sup>struggle is not against <sup>1</sup>flesh and blood, but <sup>c</sup>against the rulers, against the powers, against the <sup>d</sup>world-forces of this <sup>c</sup>darkness, against the <sup>f</sup>spiritual forces of wickedness in <sup>e</sup>the heavenly places.

13 Therefore take up <sup>a</sup>the full armor of God, that you may be able to <sup>b</sup>resist in <sup>c</sup>the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.

14 Stand firm therefore, <sup>a</sup>HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and HAVING <sup>b</sup>PUT ON THE <sup>c</sup>BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS,

15 and having <sup>a</sup>shod YOUR FEET WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE;

16 <sup>1</sup>in addition to all, taking up the <sup>a</sup>shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the <sup>b</sup>flaming missiles of <sup>c</sup>the evil one.

17 And take the <sup>a</sup>helmet of salvation, and the <sup>b</sup>sword of the Spirit, which is <sup>c</sup>the word of God.

18 With all <sup>a</sup>prayer and petition <sup>1</sup>pray at all times <sup>c</sup>in the Spirit, and with this in view, <sup>2</sup>be on the alert with all <sup>e</sup>perseverance and <sup>f</sup>petition for all the saints,

19 and <sup>a</sup>pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me <sup>b</sup>in the opening of my mouth, to make known with <sup>c</sup>boldness <sup>d</sup>the mystery of the gospel,

20 for which I am an <sup>a</sup>ambassador <sup>b</sup>in <sup>1</sup>chains; that <sup>2</sup>in proclaiming it I may speak <sup>c</sup>boldly, <sup>d</sup>as I ought to speak.

21 <sup>a</sup>But that you may know about my circumstances, how I am doing, <sup>b</sup>Tychicus, <sup>c</sup>the beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, will make everything known to you.

22 <sup>1</sup>And <sup>a</sup>I have sent him to you for this very purpose, so

<sup>1</sup> <sup>a</sup>Col. 3:20; Prov. 6:20; 23:22

<sup>2</sup> <sup>a</sup>Ex. 20:12; Deut. 5:16

<sup>3</sup> <sup>a</sup>Ex. 20:12; Deut. 5:16

<sup>4</sup> <sup>a</sup>Col. 3:21 <sup>b</sup>Gen. 18:19; Deut. 6:7; 11:19; Ps. 78:4; Prov. 22:6; 2 Tim. 3:15

<sup>5</sup> <sup>1</sup>i.e., earthly masters, with fear  
<sup>a</sup>Col. 3:22; 1 Tim. 6:1; Titus 2:9 <sup>b</sup>1 Cor. 2:3 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 5:22

<sup>6</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., according to <sup>2</sup>Lit., soul  
<sup>a</sup>Col. 3:22 <sup>b</sup>Gal. 1:10 <sup>c</sup>1 Cor. 7:22

<sup>7</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., rendering  
<sup>a</sup>Col. 3:23

<sup>8</sup> <sup>a</sup>Col. 3:24 <sup>b</sup>Matt. 16:27; 2 Cor. 5:10; Col. 3:24f.  
<sup>c</sup>1 Cor. 12:13; Col. 3:11

<sup>9</sup> <sup>a</sup>Lev. 25:43 <sup>b</sup>Job 31:13ff.; John 13:13 <sup>c</sup>Acts 10:34; Col. 3:25

<sup>10</sup> <sup>1</sup>1 Cor. 16:13; 2 Tim. 2:1 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 1:19

<sup>11</sup> <sup>a</sup>Eph. 6:13; Rom. 13:12 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 4:14

<sup>12</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., blood and flesh  
<sup>a</sup>1 Cor. 9:25 <sup>b</sup>Matt. 16:17 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 1:21; 2:2; 3:10 <sup>d</sup>John 12:31 <sup>e</sup>Acts 26:18; Col. 1:13 <sup>f</sup>Eph. 3:10 <sup>g</sup>Eph. 1:3

<sup>13</sup> <sup>a</sup>Eph. 6:11 <sup>b</sup>James 4:7 <sup>c</sup>Eph. 5:16

<sup>14</sup> <sup>a</sup>Is. 11:5; Luke 12:35; 1 Pet. 1:13 <sup>b</sup>Eph. 6:13; Rom. 13:12 <sup>c</sup>Is. 59:17; 1 Thess. 5:8

<sup>15</sup> <sup>a</sup>Is. 52:7; Rom. 10:15

<sup>16</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., in all  
<sup>a</sup>1 Thess. 5:8 <sup>b</sup>Ps. 7:13; 120:4 <sup>c</sup>Matt. 5:37

<sup>17</sup> <sup>a</sup>Is. 59:17 <sup>b</sup>Heb. 4:12; Is. 49:2; Hos. 6:5 <sup>c</sup>Heb. 6:5; Eph. 5:26

<sup>18</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., praying <sup>2</sup>Lit., being  
<sup>a</sup>Phil. 4:6 <sup>b</sup>Luke 18:1; Col. 1:3; 4:2; 1 Thess. 5:17 <sup>c</sup>Rom. 8:26f. <sup>d</sup>Mark 13:33 <sup>e</sup>Acts 1:14 [Gr.] <sup>f</sup>1 Tim. 2:1

<sup>19</sup> <sup>a</sup>Col. 4:3; 1 Thess. 5:25 <sup>b</sup>2 Cor. 6:11 <sup>c</sup>2 Cor. 3:12 <sup>d</sup>Eph. 3:3

<sup>20</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., a chain <sup>2</sup>Some ancient mss. read, I may speak it boldly  
<sup>a</sup>2 Cor. 5:20; Philom. 9 marg. <sup>b</sup>Acts 21:33; 28:20; Col. 4:3; Eph. 3:1; Phil. 1:7 <sup>c</sup>2 Cor. 3:12 <sup>d</sup>Col. 4:4

<sup>21</sup> <sup>a</sup>Eph. 6:21; 22: Col. 4:7-9 <sup>b</sup>Acts 20:4 <sup>c</sup>Col. 4:7

<sup>22</sup> <sup>1</sup>Lit., whom I have sent to you  
<sup>a</sup>Col. 4:8

22 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *the things about*

<sup>us</sup>  
<sup>b</sup>Col. 2:2; 4:8

23 <sup>a</sup>Gal. 6:16; 2 Thess. 3:16;  
1 Pet. 5:14; Rom. 15:33 <sup>b</sup>Gal.  
5:6; 1 Thess. 5:8

24 <sup>1</sup>Lit., *in incorruption*

that you may know <sup>2</sup>about us, and that he may <sup>b</sup>comfort your hearts.

23 <sup>a</sup>Peace be to the brethren, and <sup>b</sup>love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

24 Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ <sup>1</sup>with a love incorruptible.

## THE EPISTLE OF PAUL TO THE PHILIPPIANS

Salutation. Thanksgiving and Supplication.

<sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup>I.e., true believers; lit., *holy ones*

<sup>a</sup>2 Cor. 1:1; Col. 1:1; Phil. 1:1

<sup>b</sup>1 Thess. 1:1; 2 Thess. 1:1

<sup>c</sup>Acts 16:1 <sup>d</sup>Rom. 1:1; Gal.

1:10 <sup>e</sup>Phil. 1:8; 2:5; 3:3, 8, 12,

14; 4:7, 19, 21; Gal. 3:26

<sup>f</sup>2 Cor. 1:1; Col. 1:2 <sup>g</sup>Acts

9:13 <sup>h</sup>Acts 16:12 <sup>i</sup>Acts 20:28;

1 Tim. 3:1f.; Titus 1:7

<sup>j</sup>1 Tim. 3:8ff.

<sup>k</sup>2 <sup>l</sup>Rom. 1:7

<sup>m</sup>3 <sup>n</sup>Rom. 1:8

<sup>o</sup>4 <sup>p</sup>Rom. 1:9

<sup>q</sup>5 <sup>r</sup>Or, *sharing in the*

*preaching of the gospel*

<sup>s</sup>Acts 2:42; Phil. 4:15 <sup>t</sup>Phil.

1:7, 12, 16, 27; 2:22; 4:3, 15

<sup>u</sup>Phil. 2:12; 4:15; Acts 16:12-

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<sup>v</sup>6 <sup>w</sup>1 Cor. 1:8; Phil. 1:10;

2:16

<sup>x</sup>7 <sup>y</sup>Lit., *just as it is right*

<sup>z</sup>8 <sup>aa</sup>Lit., *bonds*

<sup>ab</sup>2 Pet. 1:13 <sup>ac</sup>2 Cor. 7:3 <sup>ad</sup>Phil.

1:13f., 17; Acts 21:33; Eph.

6:20 <sup>ae</sup>Phil. 1:16 <sup>af</sup>Phil. 1:5, 12,

16, 27; 2:22; 4:3, 15

<sup>ag</sup>8 <sup>ah</sup>Lit., *inward parts*

<sup>ai</sup>Rom. 1:9 <sup>aj</sup>Phil. 1:1; 2:5; 3:3,

8, 12, 14; 4:7, 19, 21; Gal.

3:26

<sup>ak</sup>9 <sup>al</sup>1 Thess. 3:12 <sup>am</sup>Col. 1:9

<sup>an</sup>10 <sup>ao</sup>Or, *distinguish*

*between the things which*

*differ* <sup>ap</sup>2 <sup>aq</sup>Lit., *for*

<sup>ar</sup>Rom. 2:18 <sup>as</sup>1 Cor. 1:8; Phil.

1:6; 2:16

<sup>at</sup>11 <sup>au</sup>James 3:18

<sup>av</sup>12 <sup>aw</sup>Luke 21:13 <sup>ax</sup>Phil. 1:5, 7,

16, 27; 2:22; 4:3, 15

<sup>ay</sup>13 <sup>az</sup>Lit., *bonds* <sup>ba</sup>Or,

*governor's palace*

<sup>bb</sup>Phil. 1:7; 2 Tim. 2:9 <sup>bc</sup>Acts

28:30

<sup>bd</sup>14 <sup>be</sup>Or, *brethren in the*

*Lord, trusting because of my*

*bonds* <sup>bf</sup>Lit., *bonds*

<sup>bg</sup>Phil. 1:7; 2 Tim. 2:9 <sup>bh</sup>Phil.

1:20; 2 Cor. 3:12; 7:4; Acts

4:31

<sup>bi</sup>15 <sup>bj</sup>2 Cor. 11:13

<sup>bk</sup>16 <sup>bl</sup>Some later mss. reverse

the order of vs. 16 and 17

<sup>bm</sup>1 <sup>bn</sup>Cor. 9:17 <sup>bo</sup>Phil. 1:5, 7, 12,

27; 2:22; 4:3, 15

<sup>bp</sup>17 <sup>bq</sup>Lit., *not sincerely* <sup>br</sup>2 <sup>bs</sup>Lit.,

*bonds*

<sup>bt</sup>Phil. 2:3; Rom. 2:8 <sup>bu</sup>Phil.

1:7; 2 Tim. 2:9

<sup>a</sup> Paul and <sup>b</sup>Timothy, <sup>c</sup>bond-servants of <sup>d</sup>Christ Jesus, to <sup>e</sup>all the <sup>f</sup>saints in Christ Jesus who are in <sup>g</sup>Philippi, including the <sup>h</sup>overseers and <sup>i</sup>deacons:

2 <sup>a</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 <sup>a</sup>I thank my God in all my remembrance of you,

4 always offering prayer with joy in <sup>a</sup>my every prayer for you all,

5 in view of your <sup>1a</sup>participation in the <sup>b</sup>gospel <sup>c</sup>from the first day until now.

6 *For I am* confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until <sup>a</sup>the day of Christ Jesus.

7 <sup>1</sup>For <sup>a</sup>it is only right for me to feel this way about you all, because I <sup>b</sup>have you in my heart, since both in my <sup>2c</sup>imprisonment and in the <sup>d</sup>defense and confirmation of the <sup>e</sup>gospel, you all are partakers of grace with me.

8 For <sup>a</sup>God is my witness, how I long for you all with the <sup>1a</sup>affection of <sup>b</sup>Christ Jesus.

9 And this I pray, that <sup>a</sup>your love may abound still more and more in <sup>b</sup>real knowledge and all discernment,

10 so that you may <sup>1a</sup>approve the things that are excellent, in order to be sincere and blameless <sup>2</sup>until <sup>b</sup>the day of Christ;

11 having been filled with the <sup>a</sup>fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

12 Now I want you to know, brethren, that my circumstances <sup>a</sup>have turned out for the greater progress of the <sup>b</sup>gospel,

13 so that my <sup>1a</sup>imprisonment in *the cause of* Christ has become well-known throughout the whole <sup>2</sup>praetorian guard and to <sup>b</sup>everyone else,

14 and that most of the <sup>1b</sup>brethren, trusting in the Lord because of my <sup>2a</sup>imprisonment, have <sup>b</sup>far more courage to speak the word of God without fear.

15 <sup>a</sup>Some, to be sure, are preaching Christ even from envy and strife, but some also from good will;

16 <sup>1</sup>the latter *do it* out of love, knowing that I am <sup>a</sup>appointed for the defense of the <sup>b</sup>gospel;

17 the former proclaim Christ <sup>a</sup>out of selfish ambition, <sup>1</sup>rather than from pure motives, thinking to cause me distress in my <sup>2b</sup>imprisonment.