

Why Study Ephesians?

Ephesians: Living in Light of Our Eternal Portfolio | Dr. Michael Rydelnik
Ephesians 1:1-2

Introduction

¹ Paul, an apostle of Messiah Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful in Messiah Jesus: ² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus the Messiah. vv. 1-2

I. We're studying Ephesians because it discloses God's message to us.

A. The Author – Paul the Apostle

B. The Emphasis – An authoritative message

II. We're studying Ephesians because it discloses our spiritual status before God.

A. The Recipients – the faithful saints in Messiah Jesus at Ephesus.

B. The Congregation

1. History

2. Characteristics

a. Strong on Doctrine Rev 2:2-3

b. Weak on Application Rev 2:4-5

C. The Point for us – Ephesians will teach us to live in conformity with our status.

III. We are studying Ephesians because it demonstrates where we come from.

IV. We're studying Ephesians because it discloses our spiritual wealth from God.

A. The Greeting – Grace and Peace

B. The Overview: Living in Light of Our Eternal Portfolio

V. Take Away

A. Read the book of Ephesians this week (bonus: read Acts 18-20)

B. Write down every spiritual blessing we have in Messiah Jesus.

C. Mark every command you can find.

D. Decide to live in light of our wealth.

Conclusion

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The Believer's Wealth

POSITION IN THE HEAVENLIES

The Believer's Walk

PRACTICE IN THE WORD

The Believer's Warfare

PROTECTION FROM THE ENEMY

Salutation 1:1-2

The Riches of Redemption

The Riches of Regeneration

The Riches of Reconciliation

The Riches of Revelation

Unity

Purity

Duty

Exhortation

Enemy

1:3

2:1

2:11

3:1

4:1

4:17

5:21

6:10

6:14

"Sit"

Walk

Stand

Indicatives

Imperatives