

EPHESIANS:
LIVING IN LIGHT
OF OUR
ETERNAL
PORTFOLIO



Message Application Guide

APPLICATION

God is the God of the past, present, and future. Tell your Small Group one thing God has done in your past to bring you life or what He is doing now to sustain you.

As part of our "Eternal Portfolio," Dr. Rydelnik pointed out in Ephesians 2 that a Christ follower passes from "death to life." What type of "death" and "life" is the Scripture talking about? What was our "past condition" and what is our "new position" in Christ?

Read Ephesians 2:8-10. Do you believe that Christ really has good works prepared in advance for us (you) to do? If so, how can we know what those good works are? How do we act on them? If we don't know what they are, how might we "discover" them?

Dr. Rydelnik ended his sermon telling us that we are "wanted by God – either dead or alive." In other words, God wants our mind, heart, and will:

- Mind: to know Christ died for our sins
- Heart: to have the conviction to believe this is true
- Will: to accept Him and trust Him for our future

What could growth in each of those areas look like? Choose one way in which you can grow in one or more of those areas; and share that with your small group for encouragement and accountability.

If you've received God's grace by faith, then you have a miraculous story of God at work in your life. With who can you share your personal testimony this week?
