



Ephesians Sing!

Ephesians 1:1-2

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,

To the saints who are in Ephesus,
and are faithful in Christ Jesus:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 1:3-10

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us in Christ with every
spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,
even as he chose us in him
before the foundation of the world,
that we should be holy and blameless before him.

In love he predestined us
for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ
according to the purpose of his will,
to the praise of his glorious grace
with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

In him we have redemption,
through his blood
the forgiveness of our trespasses,
according to the riches
of his grace which he lavished upon us,
in all wisdom and insight

making known to us the mystery of his will
according to his purpose
which he set forth in Christ as a plan
for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him
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Ephesians 1:11-14

In him
we have obtained an inheritance,
having been predestined
according to the purpose of him
who works all things according to the counsel of his will,
so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be
to the praise of his glory.

In him
you also, when you heard the word of truth,
the gospel of your salvation,
and believed in him,
were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,
who is the guarantee
of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it,
to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 1:15-23

For this reason,
because I have heard of your faith
in the Lord Jesus
and your love toward all the saints,

I do not cease to give thanks for you,
remembering you in my prayers,
that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of glory,
may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of
revelation in the knowledge of him,
having the eyes of your hearts enlightened,

That you may know
what is the hope to which he has called you,
what are the riches of his glorious
inheritance in the saints,
and what is the immeasurable greatness
of his power toward us who believe,
according to the working of his great might

that he worked in Christ when he raised him
from the dead
and seated him at his right hand
in the heavenly places,
far above all rule and authority
and power and dominion,
and above every name that is named,
not only in this age but also in the one to come.

And he put all things under his feet
and gave him as head over all things
to the church,
which is his body,
the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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Ephesians 2:1-10

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins
in which you once walked,
following the course of this world, following
the prince of the power of the air,

the spirit that is now at work
in the sons of disobedience—
among whom we all once lived
in the passions of our flesh,
carrying out the desires of the body and the mind,
and were by nature children of wrath,
like the rest of mankind.

But God, being rich in mercy, because
of the great love with which he loved us,
even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us
alive together with Christ—
by grace you have been saved—

and raised us up with him
and seated us with him
in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,
so that in the coming ages
he might show the immeasurable riches
of his grace in kindness toward us
in Christ Jesus.

For by grace you have been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing;
it is the gift of God, **(His gift!)**
not a result of works,

so that no one may boast.

For we are his workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand,
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Ephesians 2:11-22

Therefore, remember
that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh,
called “the uncircumcision”
by what is called the circumcision,
which is made in the flesh by hands—

Remember

that you were at that time separated from Christ,
alienated from the commonwealth of Israel
and strangers to the covenants of promise,
having no hope and without God in the world.

But now in Christ Jesus
you who once were far off have been brought
near by the blood of Christ.
For he himself is our peace, who has made us
both one and has broken down in his flesh
the dividing wall of hostility
by abolishing the law of commandments
expressed in ordinances,

that he might create in himself one new man in
place of the two, so making peace,
and might reconcile us both to God
in one body through the cross,
thereby killing the hostility.

And he came and preached
peace to you who were far off
and peace to those who were near.

For through him
we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.
So then...you are no longer strangers and aliens,
but you are...fellow citizens with the saints
and members of the household of God,

built on the foundation
of the apostles and prophets,
Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,
in whom the whole structure,
being joined together,
grows into a holy temple in the Lord.
In him you also are being built together into a
dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Ephesians 3:1-13

For this reason I, Paul,
a prisoner of Christ Jesus
on behalf of you Gentiles—
assuming that you have heard
of the stewardship of God's grace
that was given to me for you,
how the mystery was made known
to me by revelation

...as I have written briefly.

When you read this, you can perceive my insight
into the mystery of Christ,
which was not made known to the sons of men
in other generations

As it has now been revealed
to his holy apostles and prophets
by the Spirit.

This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs,
members of the same body,
and partakers of the promise
in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I was made
a minister according to the gift
of God's grace, which was given me
by the working of his power.

To me, though I am the very least of all the saints,
this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles
the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to bring to light

for everyone what is the plan
of the mystery hidden for ages in God,
who created all things, so that through the church
the manifold wisdom of God
might now be made known
to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named,
that according to the riches of his glory
he may grant you to be strengthened with power
through his Spirit in your inner being,

Refrain:

So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith
(Sing 2x)

That you, being rooted and grounded in love,
may have strength to comprehend with all the saints
what is the breadth and length and height and depth,
and to know the love of Christ
that surpasses knowledge,

Refrain:

That you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

(Sing 2x)

Now to him who is able to do
far more abundantly than all that we ask or think,
according to the power at work within us,

to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus
throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord,

urge you to walk in a manner

worthy of the calling to which you have been called,

with all humility and gentleness,

with patience, bearing with one another in love,

eager to maintain the

unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

There is one body and one Spirit—
just as you were called to the one hope
that belongs to your call—
one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of all,
who is over all and through all and in all.

But grace was given to each
**one of us according to the measure of Christ's
gift.**

Therefore it says, “When he ascended on high
he led a host of captives,
and he gave gifts to men.”

(In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but
that he had also descended into the lower regions,
the earth?

He who descended is the one who also ascended
**far above all the heavens,
that he might fill all things.)**

And he gave the apostles, the prophets,
the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers,
to equip the saints for the work of ministry,
for building up the body of Christ,
until we all attain to the unity
of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God,
to mature manhood, to the measure of the
stature of the fullness of Christ,

So that we may no longer be children,
tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about
by every wind of doctrine,
by human cunning, by craftiness
in deceitful schemes.

Rather, speaking the truth in love,
we are to grow up in every way into him
who is the head, into Christ, from whom the
whole body, joined and held together

By every joint with which it is equipped,
when each part is working properly,
makes the body grow so that it
builds itself up in love.

Ephesians 4:17-24

Now this I say and testify in the Lord,
that you must no longer walk
as the Gentiles do,
in the futility of their minds.
(Sing 2x)

They are darkened in their understanding,
alienated from the life of God
because of the ignorance that is in them,

Due to their hardness of heart.

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They have become callous
and have given themselves up to sensuality,
greedy to practice every kind of impurity.
(Sing 2x)

But that is not the way you learned Christ!—

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Assuming that you have heard about him
and were taught in him,
as the truth is in Jesus, to put off your old self,
which belongs to your former manner of life
and is corrupt through deceitful desires,

And to be renewed in the spirit
of your minds, and to put on the new self,
created after the likeness of God
in true righteousness and holiness.

(Sing 2x)

Ephesians 4:25-32

Therefore, having put away falsehood,
let each one of you
speak the truth with his neighbor,
for we are members one of another.

Be angry and do not sin;
do not let the sun go down on your anger,
and give no opportunity to the devil.

Let the thief no longer steal,
but rather let him labor,
doing honest work
with his own hands,
so that he may have something
to share with anyone in need.

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths,
but only such as is good for building up,

as fits the occasion,
that it may give grace to those who hear.

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,
by whom you were sealed
for the day of redemption.

Let all bitterness and wrath
and anger and clamor
and slander be put away from you,
along with all malice.

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted,
forgiving one another,
as God in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 5:1-14

Therefore be imitators of God,
as beloved children.

And walk in love, as Christ loved us
and gave himself up for us,

a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

But sexual immorality and all impurity
or covetousness must not even
be named among you,
as is proper among saints.
Let there be no filthiness
nor foolish talk nor crude joking,
which are out of place,
but instead let there be thanksgiving.

For you may be sure of this,
that everyone who is sexually immoral
or impure, or who is covetous
(that is, an idolater), has no inheritance
in the kingdom of Christ and God.
Let no one deceive you with empty words,
for because of these things
the wrath of God comes upon
the sons of disobedience.

Therefore do not become partners with them;
for at one time you were darkness,
but now you are light in the Lord.

Walk as children of light
(for the fruit of light is found in
all that is good and right and true),

and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.

Take no part in the
unfruitful works of darkness,
but instead expose them. For it is shameful
even to speak of the things
that they do in secret.

But when anything is exposed by the light,
it becomes visible, for anything that becomes
visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Awake, O sleeper, (Awake, O sleeper)
and arise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”

Ephesians 5:15-21

Look carefully then how you walk,
not as unwise but as wise,
making the best use of the time,
because the days are evil. Therefore...
do not be foolish, but understand
what the will of the Lord is.

And do not get drunk with wine,
for that is debauchery,
but be filled with the Spirit
but be filled with the Spirit
be filled!

Be filled with the Spirit,
addressing one another in
psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,
singing and making melody to the Lord with
your heart,
giving thanks always and for everything to God
the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
submitting to one another
out of reverence for Christ.

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for that is debauchery,
but be filled with the Spirit,
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be filled! Be filled!

Ephesians 5:22-33

Wives, submit to your own husbands,
as to the Lord.

For the husband is the head of the wife
even as Christ is the head of the church,
His body, and is Himself its Savior.

Now as the church submits to Christ, so also
wives should submit in everything
to their husbands.

Husbands, love your wives,
as Christ loved the church
and gave himself up for her,
that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her

By the washing of water with the word,
so that he might present the church
to himself in splendor,
without spot or wrinkle or any such thing,
that she might be holy and without blemish.

In the same way husbands should love their
wives as their own bodies.

He who loves his wife loves himself.
For no one ever hated his own flesh,
but nourishes and cherishes it,
just as Christ does the church,

Because we are members of his body.
“Therefore a man shall leave his father
and mother
and hold fast to his wife,
and the two shall become one flesh.”

This mystery is profound, and I am saying
that it refers to Christ and the church.

However, let each one of you love
his wife as himself,
and let the wife see that she respects
her husband.

Ephesians 6:1-9

Children, obey your parents in the Lord,
for this is right.

“Honor your father and mother”

(this is the first commandment with a promise),

“that it may go well with you
and you may live long in the land.”

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger,
but bring them up in the discipline
and instruction of the Lord.

Bondservants, obey your earthly masters
with fear and trembling,
with a sincere heart.....as you would Christ,
not by the way of eye-service, as people-pleasers,
but as bondservants of Christ,
doing the will of God from the heart,

rendering service with a good will
as to the Lord and not to man,
knowing that whatever good anyone does,
this he will receive back from the Lord,
whether he is bondservant or is free.

Masters, do the same to them,
and stop your threatening,
knowing that he who is both their Master
and yours is in heaven, and that there is
no partiality with him.

Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord
and in the strength of his might.
Put on the whole armor of God,
that you may be able
to stand against the schemes of the devil.
For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood,
but against the rulers, against the authorities,
against the cosmic powers
over this present darkness,

against the spiritual forces of evil
in the heavenly places.

Therefore take up the whole armor of God,
that you may be able
to withstand in the evil day,
and having done all, to stand firm.

Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth,
and having put on
the breastplate of righteousness,

And, as shoes for your feet,
having put on the readiness
given by the gospel of peace.

In all circumstances take up the shield of faith,
with which you can extinguish
all the flaming darts of the evil one;
and take the helmet of salvation,
and the sword of the Spirit,
which is the word of God,

Praying at all times in the Spirit,
with all prayer and supplication.

To that end, keep alert
with all perseverance,
making supplication
for all the saints,

And also for me, that words may be given
to me in opening my mouth boldly
to proclaim the mystery of the gospel,
for which I am an ambassador
in chains, that I may
declare it boldly,
as I ought to speak.

Ephesians 6:21-24

So that you also may know
how I am and what I am doing,
Tychicus the beloved
brother and faithful minister
in the Lord will tell you everything.
I have sent him to you
for this very purpose,
that you may know how we are,
and that he may encourage your hearts...

Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith,
from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus
Christ with love incorruptible.