



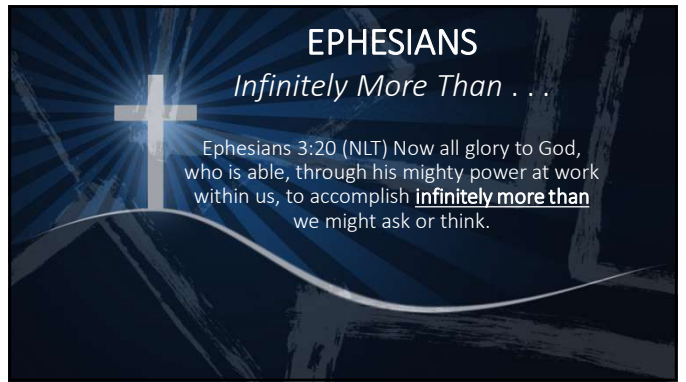
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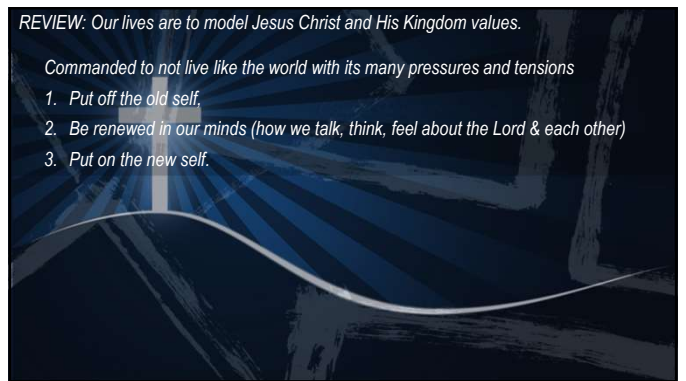
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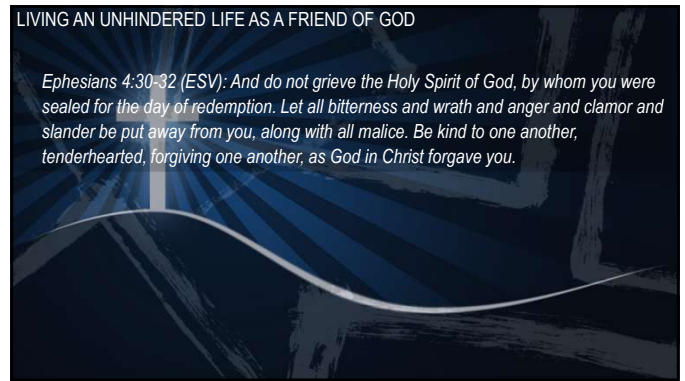
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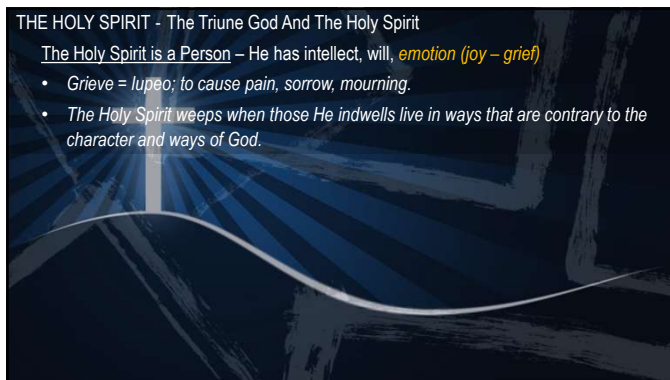
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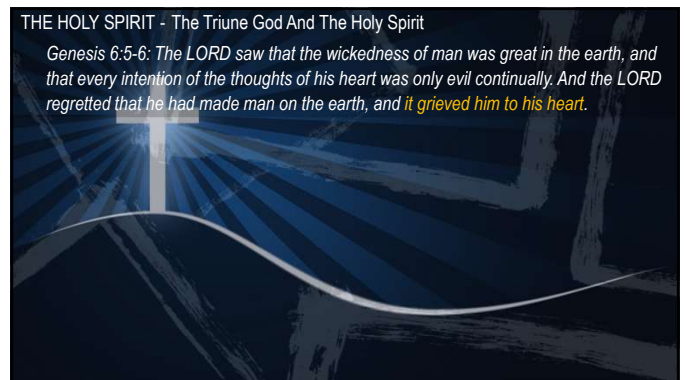
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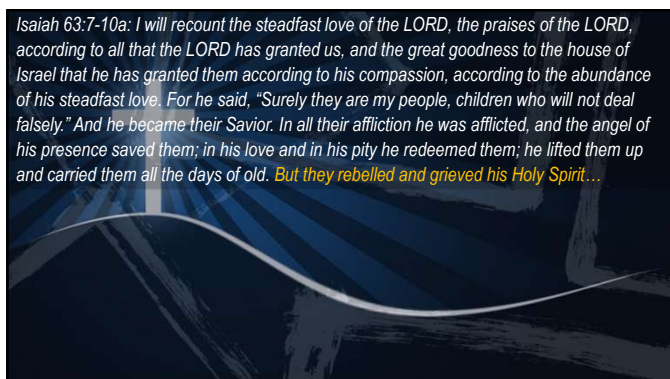
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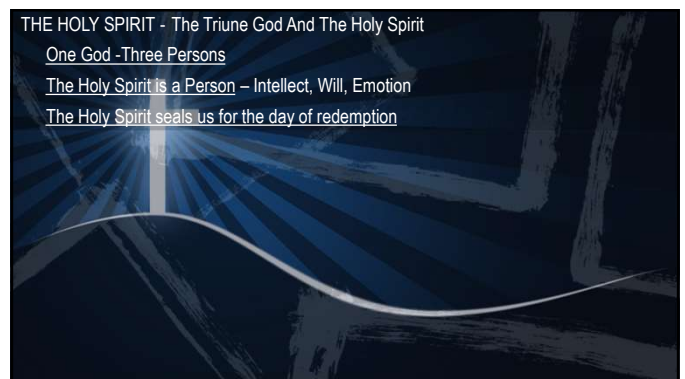
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THE HOLY SPIRIT - The Triune God And The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit seals us for the day of redemption

Ephesians 4:30b ...by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption

- He comforts, directs, teaches, and leads. He is with us in everything we do.
- He is the ambassador of the triune God given to us.
- God is the Abba Father of every Christian.

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LIVING AN UNHINDERED LIFE AS A FRIEND OF GOD

Put Off (don't grieve Him)

Ephesians 4:31 (ESV): Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice.

Bitterness: a person in perpetual animosity, to be sour and venomous

Malice: having ill-will; wishing evil or even plotting evil against others

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Rage: a passionate rage – eruptive anger

Anger: a sullen hostility, more deep and settled, continually smolders (even passive)

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Clamor: to raise voices and/or shout and scream at another in a quarrel

Slander: to speak evil of others especially behind the backs of others, so as to undermine reputation and to defame.

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LIVING AN UNHINDERED LIFE AS A FRIEND OF GOD

Put On

Ephesians 4:32 (ESV): Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Be Kind To One Another - *chrestos* = kindness, this includes even a kindness toward the ungrateful and even those who are evil.

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LIVING AN UNHINDERED LIFE AS A FRIEND OF GOD

Put On - Be kind to one another,

Luke 6:35 "But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men."

- We are to be unconditionally kind. Behind this word is the idea of "action" not mere sentiment.
- We are to provide for one another's spiritual and physical welfare. It is to be our action toward one another

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Put On – Tenderhearted

Original language: tenderhearted communicates the idea of deep compassion

- We are to be more than mere robots toward one another.
- We are to live in compassion, gentle, tenderhearted ways toward one another.
- True, God-like empathy and sympathy are to characterize God's people.
- Jesus is touched with the feelings of our infirmities (Heb 4.15).

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LIVING AN UNHINDERED LIFE AS A FRIEND OF GOD

Put On – Forgive Each Other – Like God Has Forgiven Us

- Forgive means to show grace, to freely give.
- To graciously release others from offenses received.
- No one will attain to a state of sinless perfection here on this earth, so we will offend and be offended – true for me; true for you.
- We must live in a state of forgiveness, always willing to forgive each other and release others of their offenses toward us. We must live this way, mutually one toward another.

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Ephesians 4:30-32 (ESV) And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Let's seek to be a people who bring joy to the heart of God – by His grace, living an unhindered life that demonstrates His love toward others.

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LIVING AN UNHINDERED LIFE AS A FRIEND OF GOD

APPLICATION

1 Cor 11:23-26: For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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APPLICATION

1 Cor 11:27-29: Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

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Put Off – Don't Grieve Him	Put On – Embrace Him
<u>Bitterness</u> : a person in perpetual animosity, to be sour and venomous	<u>Be Kind To One Another</u> Includes kindness toward the ungrateful, even those who are evil
<u>Malice</u> : having ill-will; wishing evil or even plotting evil against others	<u>Tenderhearted</u> communicates the idea of deep compassion
<u>Rage</u> : a passionate rage – eruptive anger <u>Anger</u> : sullen hostility, continually smolders (inc. passive)	<u>Forgive Each Other</u> Like God Has Forgiven Us Show grace, to freely give
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