Living in God's Glory – Part 7 The Application to our Kingdom Position

**Remembered: "Ephesians unfolds the process by which God is brining the church to its destined purpose in Christ.

Let's review the "Position" again in these 3 chapters.

- ➤ In Him is mention 8 times in chapters 1 and 2.
- > Spiritual blessing in Heavenly places in Christ (1:3)
 - Spiritual = Supernatural
- ➤ Chose us before the foundations of the World to be holy and without blame. (1:4)
- ➤ Predestined us to be adopted as sons by Jesus Christ himself (1:5)
- ➤ His grace made us accepted in the Beloved. (1:6)
- > Redemption through His Blood the forgiveness of sins (1:7)
- ➤ Gather together 1 body Jews and Gentiles = Church (1:10)
- ➤ In Him (Jesus Christ) we have an inheritance. (1:11)
- ➤ We are sealed with the Holy Spirit until the redemption of the promise (1:13)
- ➤ Paul prayed that we have revelation and knowledge of Jesus (1:17)
- ➤ Eyes of our understanding being enlightened to know the hope of His calling and inheritance in the saints (1:18)
- ➤ The exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believer (1:19)
- ➤ He put all things under His feet and gave Him to be head over all things to the church (1:22)
- ➤ "Now to Him (Jesus) who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or thing according to the power that works in us (21) to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen!"

Power – Dunamis = *force* (literally or figuratively); specifically miraculous *power* (usually by implication a *miracle* itself): -

ability, abundance, meaning, might (-ily, -y, -y deed), (worker of) miracle (-s), power, strength, violence, mighty (wonde

Beginning in Chapter 4 through Chapter 6 we have the application process that one must adhere to in order to manifest God's Glory and maintain the position of Dominion that God has established before the foundations of the world.

The Application

Application: The act of directing or referring something to a particular case, to discover or illustrate the agreement or disagreement; as, I make the remark and leave you to make the application.

There are 4 parts to the Application process of the Believers of living in God's Glory.

- 1. Unity of Believers (**Unity: Oneness**)
- ➤ Ephesians 4:1–3 (NKJV).
 - a. Unity of the Spirit Chapter 4:1-3
- i. Beseech: parakaleo_ par-ak-al-eh'-o From G3844 and G2564; to call near, that is, invite, invoke (by imploration, hortation or consolation): beseech, call for, (be of good) comfort, desire, (give) exhort (-ation), intreat, pray.
 - ii. Walk: peripateo_ per-ee-pat-eh'-o: From G4012 and G3961; to tread all around, that is, walk at large (especially as proof of ability); figuratively to live, deport oneself, follow (as a companion or votary): go, be occupied with, walk (about).
 - iii. Worthy: xios *ax-ee'-oce:* Adverb from G514; *appropriately:* as becometh, after a godly sort, worthily (-thy).

- iv. Calling: klesis *klay'-sis:* From a shorter form of G2564; an *invitation* (figuratively): calling.
- v. Verse 2 tells us how we are to respond to the above instructions from Paul in Verse 1:
 - 1. Lowliness: tapeinophrosune_ *tap-i-nof-ros-oo'nay:* From a compound of G5011 and the base of G5424; *humiliation of mind*, that is, *modesty:* humbleness of mind, humility (of mind), lowliness (of mind). (1 Peter 5:6)
 - 2. Gentleness: humility
 - 3. longsuffering: makrothumia *mak-roth-oo-mee'ah:* From the same as G3116; *longanimity*, that is, (objectively) *forbearance* or (subjectively) *fortitude:* longsuffering, patience.
 - 4. Bearing: anechomai *an-ekh'-om-ahee*: Middle voice from G303 and G2192; to *hold oneself up* against, that is, (figuratively) *put up* with: bear with endure, forbear, suffer. (Galatians 6:1-2)
 - 5. Endeavoring: spoudazo_ spoo-dad'-zo: From G4710; to use speed, that is, to make effort, be prompt or earnest: - do (give) diligence, be diligent (forward), endeavour, labour, study. vi. Keep the unity: keep: tereo_ tay-reh'-o: From τηρος teros (a watch; perhaps akin to G2334); to guard (from loss or injury, properly by keeping the eye upon) which is properly to prevent escaping; and from G2892, which implies a fortress or full military lines of apparatus), that is, to *note* (a prophecy; figuratively to fulfil a command); by implication **to detain** (in custody; figuratively to *maintain*); by extension to withhold (for personal ends; figuratively to keep unmarried): - hold fast, keep (-er), (ob-, pre-, re) serve, watch.

- ** Keeping the unity means there will be times where you can't work with someone because of work performance, attitude, etc. May also mean and change in one's position or where they are serving at. Keeping the unity may also refer to removing someone or something to benefit the vision for the majority verses a portion of people.
- vii. Bond: sundesmos soon'-des-mos: From G4862 and G1199; a joint tie, that is, ligament, (figuratively) uniting principle, control: band, bond.
- viii. Peace: eirene_ *i-rah'-nay:* Probably from a primary verb εἴρω eiro_(to *join*); *peace* (literally or figuratively); by implication *prosperity:* one, peace, **quietness, rest, + set at one again**.
- ix. 8 ingredients in unification = Application of the divine power and manifestation of the church.
 - 8 = Biblical Numerology: **Eight: 8** -: One who abounds in strength. **Added Christian Viewpoint:** The number eight is also used in reference to fertility. It has also been used when referring to the Resurrection or new beginnings
 - 2. **Unity is the bond of perfection and seal of purification:** Purification is what brings the presence of God which reveals the plans of the enemies and the plan and will of God in one's life. (God has to deal first with the rebellion in one's life before he can reveal his plan and implementation of His Will (not our own) in one's life.
 - a. **Purification:** The act of purifying; the act or operation of separating and removing from any thing that which is heterogeneous or foreign to it; as the purification of liquors or of metals.

- b. **Purge**: **Purge PURGE**, v.t. purj. [L. purgo. 1. To cleanse or purify by separating and carrying off whatever is impure, heterogeneous, foreign or superfluous; as, to purge the body by evacuation; to purge the Augean stable. It is followed by away, of, or off. We say, to purge away or to purge off filth, and to purge a liquor of its scum. 2. To clear from guilt or moral defilement; as,to purge one of guilt or crime; to purge away sin. Purge away our sins, for thy name's sake. Psa 79. Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean. Psa 51. 3. To clear from accusation or the charge of a crime, as in ordeal. 4. To remove what is offensive; to sweep away impurities. Ezek 20.
- b. The seven unities mentioned: 4-6: **Unity: Oneness**
 - i. One Body
 - ii. One Spirit
 - iii. One Hope iv. One Lord
 - v. One Faith
 - vi. One Baptism
 - vii. One God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in you all
 - viii. 7- Biblical Meaning of Number: deals with spiritual perfection and spiritual completeness. **Added Christian Viewpoint:** The number seven has also been used when describing the covenant between man and God.
- c. Diversity of gifts in one body of Christ: Ephesians 4:7-16
 - i. Father gave the Son: John 3:16: For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have

everlasting life. (Father sends the Holy Spirit, John 14:26; 15:26; Jesus baptizes with the Holy Spirit Matthew 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; John 1:33-34; Acts 1:5;11:16) ii. Son (Jesus) gave the 5- Fold Ministry Gifts: 4:11: And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers.

- 1. Apostle: apostolos *ap-os'-tol-os:* From G649; a *delegate*; specifically an *ambassador* of the Gospel; officially a *commissioner* of Christ ("apostle"), (with miraculous powers): apostle, messenger, he that is sent.
- 2. Prophets: prophetes *prof-ay'-tace:* From a compound of G4253 and G5346; a *foreteller* ("prophet"); by analogy an *inspired speaker*; by extension a *poet:* prophet.
 - a. Operate in at least 2 of 3 revelation gifts: Word of Knowledge, Word of Wisdom, Discernment of Spirit and a teacher of the Word of God.
- 3. Evangelist: euaggelistes *yoo-ang-ghel-is-tace':* From G2097; a *preacher* of the gospel: evangelist.
- 4. Pastors: poimen *poy-mane'*: Of uncertain affinity; a *shepherd* (literally or figuratively): shepherd, pastor.
 - i. Pastors/Apostles Appoint Elders: Titus, Timothy: Acts 14:23; Elder: presbuteros pres-boo'-ter-os Comparative of πρεσβυς presbus (elderly); older, as noun, a senior, specifically an Israelite Sanhedrist (also figuratively, member of the celestial council) Christian or "presbyter": - elder (-est), old. (1

Peter 5:1, 5:5; 1 Tim 5:1;19; 2 John 1:1; 3 John 1:1: Co presbyter: 1
Peter 5:1 (2nd Occurance) iii.
Why didn't Jesus appoint the Elders? The Elders are the ones who came against Jesus!

- 5. Teachers: didaskalos *did-as'-kal-os:* From G1321; an *instructor* (generally or specifically): doctor, master, teacher.
- iii. The 5-fold was given for the equipping of the saints for the work of the ministry the 5-fold was never meant to "Work the Ministry", this is what the Saints were to do.
 - a. The **bridge** between "equipping the saints" and "what every joint supplies and when every part does it's share causes growth" can be found in verse 4:15: "may grow up".
 - b. When "we" grow up, it causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love!
- iv. Father Gave the Holy Spirit to live in and abide forever in man after the Resurrection of Jesus:John 14:16: The Holy Spirit gave Spiritual Gifts to Man: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11.