



# *Introduction*

The letter to the Ephesians was written by Paul while he was imprisoned in Rome. During this time, Paul was compelled to write to the fledgling churches that he had established on his missionary journeys. The purpose of these letters was to encourage and correct any misunderstanding they had about being a follower of Jesus Christ.

However, the letter to the people of Ephesus revealed remarkable truths about Jesus Christ and the position we possess as his followers. Its concepts are lofty, majestic and reach to the heights of faith. Therefore, this letter has been dubbed the Alps of the Bible.

All of Paul's letters or epistles challenge the believer to progress in their faith walk. He emphasizes that faith in Jesus is the one and only way to salvation but.... that is only step one.

To receive all the benefits and fullness of faith, Paul encourages his readers to mature in their faith. To strive to move forward and be all God has called them to be.

As we travel though Ephesians, spend time soaking in the words, meditate on how these words effect your life. Ask the Holy Spirit to empower these ancient words to draw you deeper into that intimate relationship with Jesus Christ and watch how your life is changed.

—*Meg Rice*