

All major world religions seek God and make a table for Him, but in Christianity, **God seeks man and makes a table for him.**



# Trilogy

sit. walk. stand.

# Introduction to Ephesians

Ideology (Becoming) - Chapters 1-3

Incarnation (Doing) - Chapters 4-6



# Our Goal:

By clarifying the empowered positions of a Christian (as described by Paul in his letter to the Ephesians) we will upgrade the quality of our believing and the quality of our testimony.



“4 Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in His eyes. 5 God decided in advance to adopt us into his won family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. 6 For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and **seated us with him** in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ Jesus.



7 So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of his grace and kindness toward us, as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus. Therefore, I implore you to **walk** in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called.... Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to **stand** firm against all strategies of the devil.”

Ephesians 1:4-5, 2:6-7 (NLT), 4:1 (NASB),  
6:11(NLT)



# 3 Questions that help us:

1. Why is this important?
2. How secure is our seated position?
3. What does it mean to be “seated with Christ”?



### 3. What does it mean to be “seated with Him”?

- ✧ Ephesians 1 is a mysterious insight of Ephesians 2:4-10.
- ✧ “Incomparable riches of His grace...” (Eph 2:7)
- ✧ “Unsearchable riches of Christ...” (Eph 3:8)



# 3. What does it mean to be “seated with Him”?

1. “Know the hope to which He has called you.”
2. “Know the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints.”
3. “Know His incomparably great power for us who believe.”



# Descriptive Illustration

<u>Seated with Him</u>	<u>Illustration</u>
“know the hope”	Seated as Sons Eph 1:4-5
“riches of His glorious inheritance”	Seated with Inheritance Eph 1:3,14
“incomparable great power”	Seated in Triumph Eph 1:10,18-23



# Application

1. Pick up a devotional or use the online version when uploaded tomorrow.
2. Write a letter of gratitude to Jesus for what He has done and makes possible in your life.



# Application

3. Share with a friend what you believe God spoke to you today.
4. Identify 2-3 areas where you have “scarcity thinking”. Pray and confess them to God. Write 2-3 new areas where you will have “abundant thinking”.



# Gateway

Welcome Home.

