

Ephesians 2:1-7 - Observations

1 - <sup>Conj</sup> And <sup>V</sup> you <sup>V</sup> hath <sup>V</sup> he <sup>V</sup> quickened, <sup>N</sup> who were <sup>N</sup> dead <sup>N</sup> in <sup>N</sup> trespasses <sup>N</sup> and <sup>N</sup> sins;

Action of God: quicken  
Role of man: Dead (passive)

Repetition - vs 5 Rep in vs. 5  
Antecedent is "God the Father" in Eph 1:15  
Antecedent is believers in Ephesus

Break: Dead in trespasses and sins

- = Pronoun
- = Repetition
- ⊙ = Cause
- ⊕ = Effect
- ⊖ = List
- ⊗ = means
- ⊘ = Purpose
- ⊙ = Verb
- ⊖ = New
- △ = Adj

Contrast - "dead in trespasses" with "quickened us together with Christ" - vs 5  
Shows differences between "alive" and "dead" status  
General - "dead in trespasses" to specifics in verse 2 and 3  
Connects to Eph 1; Inclusion w/ verse 5

Action of man: vs 5-7  
Quickened, Raised, Sit

2 - Wherein in time <sup>REP - vs 3</sup> <sup>V</sup> past <sup>V</sup> we <sup>V</sup> walked <sup>V</sup> according to the course of this world, according to the power of the air, the spirit that now <sup>REP - vs 3</sup> <sup>V</sup> worketh <sup>V</sup> in the children of disobedience.

Contrast - w/ vs. 6 - "walking" versus "raised up" and "sit"  
Contrast - w/ vs. 4 - prince of the powers of the air versus God  
- Note the Cause & effect: walking according to the world yields disobedience

Rep. in times past - vs 3  
Contrast - vs 6 - Locations of world versus heavenly places  
Specific amplification of verse 1  
Emotional term: Children (establishes relationship)

3 - Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

Contrast w/ vs. 7 - lust of flesh versus showing riches of grace

⊙ Lifestyle of lust → ⊕ Fulfilled lusts of mind  
Specific amplification of verse 1

Emotional terms: Children, desires, wrath  
Tone: verses 1-3 negative, condemnation  
The Father is betrayed by these. Children yet still expresses mercy, grace, kindness thru salvation

4 - <sup>Conj</sup> But God, who is <sup>N</sup> rich in <sup>N</sup> mercy, for <sup>N</sup> his <sup>N</sup> great <sup>N</sup> love <sup>N</sup> wherewith <sup>N</sup> he <sup>V</sup> loved <sup>V</sup> us,

Contrast w/ vs. 2 - God versus prince  
Action of God - he loved us | Role in vs 5

Interchange: God's character and conduct portrayed against that of the prince of the power of the air

Emotional terms: great love, loved  
Compare: rich in mercy w/ riches of grace  
⊗ Mercy results in salvation - vs. 5 (cf. Titus 3:5)

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5 - Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)   
 Rep in vs 1    Rep - vs. 1    Rep - vs 6    Rep vs 7 → present

Contrast w/ vs 1 - "dead" versus "quicken"   
 Rep vs 6

Break: by grace are ye saved

(M) Means - quickened (purpose in vs 7)

Compare - saved and quickened are synonymous

(M) Grace is the means of salvation / quickening

(L) Hath quickened, hath raised, made (vs. 5-6) = verbs | Shows Actions of God   
 Inclusion w/ verse 1

6 - And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:   
 Conj.    Conj.    Rep vs 5/6    Rep vs 5/7

Contrast w/ vs 2 - "walking" and "sit"

(M) Raised, made us sit (purpose in vs. 7)

Contrast - vs 2 - world versus heavenly places

(L) Continuation of list beginning in verse 5

Break: hath raised us up

7 - That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.   
 P    subjunctive    Rep vs 4

Contrast w/ vs 3 - riches of grace versus lust of flesh   
 Compare: in the ages to come w/ time past in vs. 2/3

(P) Purpose - shew exceeding riches (means in vs 5/6)

Emotional term: kindness

Connection to other ff: Verses 5 and 7 connect to verse 8   
 with regard to "grace" and "saved"

~~Prepositions~~ Prepositions: of, in, through

Role of man: becomes the object of God's riches put on display

Compare: riches of grace w/ riches in mercy

Tone: 4-7 positive, praising

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Chiasm (2:1-3):

And you [focus on person]

hath he quickened (2:1) [focus on the new nature]

who were dead in trespasses and sins (2:1) [focus on sins]

Wherein in time past (2:2) [focus on time]

ye walked according to the course of this world (2:2) [focus on lifestyle]

according to the prince of the power of the air (2:2) [influencing agent]

the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience (2:2) [influencing agent]

Among whom also we all had our conversation (2:3) [focus on lifestyle]

in times past (2:3) [focus on time]

in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind (2:3) [focus on sins]

and were by nature the children of wrath, [focus on the old nature]

even as others (2:3) [focus on person]

Chiasm (2:4-7):

But God, (2:4) [focus on deity]

who is rich in mercy for his great love wherewith he loved us (2:4) [God's riches]

Even when we were dead in sins (2:5) [note the element of time – past]

hath quickened us together with Christ (by grace ye are saved;) (2:5) [God's actions]

And hath raised us up together and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: (2:6)  
[God's actions]

That in the ages to come (2:7) [note the element of time – future]

he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us (2:7) [God's riches]

through Christ Jesus. (2:7) [focus on deity]