







Ephesians

1-3 : Here's who are you.

4-6 : Here's what you do

Ephesians 1:1

“... To the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful *in Christ Jesus*...”

Ephesians 2:1-10

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—

Ephesians 2:1-10

and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

I Am Alive In Christ

Matthew 6:33

“But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”

Romans 6:6

“For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin.”

2 Corinthians 5:17

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”

In Christ we are:

- Chosen
- Adopted
- Redeemed
- Marked
- Purchased

Ephesians 2:11-13

Don't forget that you Gentiles used to be outsiders. You were called "uncircumcised heathens" by the Jews, who were proud of their circumcision, even though it affected only their bodies and not their hearts. In those days you were living apart from Christ. You were excluded from citizenship among the people of Israel, and you did not know the covenant promises God had made to them. You lived in this world without God and without hope. But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the blood of Christ.

Philippians 3:20

"but we are citizens of Heaven"

1 Peter 2:11

"...temporary residents and foreigners..."

**I Am Alive In Christ
My Behavior Flows From Identity**

Proverbs 23:7

For as he thinks within himself, so he is.

Ephesians 4:1

“Therefore I, a prisoner for serving the Lord,
beg you to lead a life worthy of your calling,
for you have been called by God.”

Ephesians 4:2

Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love.

Ephesians 4:25-29

So stop telling lies. Let us tell our neighbors the truth, for we are all parts of the same body. And "don't sin by letting anger control you." Don't let the sun go down while you are still angry, for anger gives a foothold to the devil. If you are a thief, quit stealing. Instead, use your hands for good hard work, and then give generously to others in need. Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.

Ephesians 4:31-32

Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior. Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

Ephesians 5:1

Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children.

Ephesians 5:3-4

Let there be no sexual immorality, impurity, or greed among you. Such sins have no place among God's people. Obscene stories, foolish talk, and coarse jokes – these are not for you. Instead, let there be thankfulness to God.

"Evangelicals are disproportionately likely to donate 10 percent of their incomes to charities, mostly church-related. More important, go to the front lines, at home or abroad, in the battles against hunger, malaria, prison rape, human trafficking or genocide, and some of the bravest people you meet are evangelical Christians who truly live their faith. I'm no particularly religious myself, but I stand in awe of those I've seen risking their lives in this way – and it sickens me to see that faith mocked at New York cocktail parties."

Nicholas Kristof – "Evangelicals Without Blowhards –NYT"

Who God Says You Are

- I am a child of God – John 1:12
- I am a temple of the Holy Spirit – 1 Corinthians 3:16, 6:19
- I am a saint – Ephesians 1:1, 1 Corinthians 1:12, Philippians 1:1, Colossians 1:2
- I am God's Masterpiece – Ephesians 2:10
- I am part of God's family – Ephesians 2:19
- I am righteous – Ephesians 4:24
- I am a citizen of heaven – Philippians 3:20, Ephesians 2:6
- I am chosen by God – Colossians 3:12
- I am holy – 1 Thessalonians 1:4
- I am called by God – Ephesians 4

Who God Says You Are

- I am a foreigner in this world – 1 Peter 2:11
- I am born of God, and the evil one cannot touch me – 1 John 5:18
- I am justified – Ephesians 2
- I am forgiven – Romans 5:1
- I am free from condemnation – Romans 8:1
- I am purchased and redeemed – 1 Corinthians 6:19, 20
- I am made complete – Colossians 2:10
- I am saved and set apart – 2 Timothy 1:9, Titus 3:5
- I am a new creation – 2 Corinthians 5:17
- I am loved – Ephesians 3


