The Book of Ephesians 2020

Introductions (February 23)

(6 Saturdays) of Bible Studies (March 7 to April 11)

(6 Sundays) Preaching Series (March 1 to April 5)

Easter Sunday (April 12)

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Writer: Apostle Paul – AD 62

One of four prison epistles, written under arrest in Rome, but Paul lived in his hired house under house arrest. He received guests and directed the church through them. (Acts 28:16, 30)

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Themes

The Church: God’s Mystery & Masterpiece (poema) (Eph. 1:9-10; 2:10)

A Temple of God, made of living stones, indwelt by the Holy Spirit (Eph. 2:20-22)

The Church: Christ in the World Through His Body (Eph. 1:22-23)

Imitators of Christ: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus (Eph. 5:1)

Wrestle Victoriously over Evil & the Devil in the World (Eph. 6:11-12)

Prayer including Praise to Release the Power of God on Earth (Eph. 6:18-20)

The Church Presented to Christ as His Bride (Eph. 5:25-33)

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Theologians View of Ephesians

Paul’s Third Heaven Epistle – The New Testament Alps – The Church Epistle

Outcome

The Christlike Transformation of Lives & Community

(Changing the World Around Us)

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Key Words to Solve a Mystery

Mystery X6 (3466)

Musterion (moos-tay-ree-on) – to shut the mouth, secret, idea of keeping silent

References (Ref.) Eph. 1:9; 3:3,4,9; 5:32; 6:19

In (Secret Word Revealing Identity of the Believer) x22 (Chapter 1)

In Christ, In Him, In Whom, In Jesus, In Love (In the Beloved)

Ex. Col. 3:3 You died, now your life is hidden with Christ in God

Love X14 (26)

Agape (a-gaa-pay) – deep affection, benevolence, good/goodness, dear to, (used socially & morally = again, again, again – steadfast, consistent, dependable) Comp. Phileo – brotherly, friend, affectionate personal attachment, to kiss as a mark of tenderness, chiefly of the heart

Ref. Eph. 1:4,15; 2:4; 3:17,19; 4:2,15,16; 5:2,25,28,33; 6:23,24 (1:6 Beloved)

Grace X12 (5485)

Charis (kaar-is) – grace gift, divine influence upon the heart and being reflected or manifested in life or action, charismatic, favor, gratitude, generous & liberality.

Ref. Eph. 1:2,6,7; 2:5,7,8; 3:2,7,8; 4:7,29; 6:24

Lord X25 (2962)

Kurios (koo-ree-oos) – supreme authority, controller, master, to have total rule over, Lord

Ref. Eph. 1:2,3,15,17; 2:21; 3:11,14; 4:1,5,17; 5:8,10,17,19,20,22,29; 6:1,4,7,8,10,21,23,24

Introduction to Ephesians

Be Imitators of God - Living by the Spirit

Chapter 1

Positional Power & Authority “In Christ (Mr. My Dad’s the Bus Driver)

The Mystery of God’s Will (1:9) The Church is the Bride (5:25)

The Believer’s Prayer (1:17-23) Inheritance of Christ Rom. 8:32)

Chapter 2

The Great Salvation Chapter of the New Testament

Saved by Grace & Sanctified by Grace (Free Gift) Eph. 2:8-10)

Temple Habitation of God by the Spirit (2:20-22)

Chapter 3

Mystery of Fellowship by Unity (3:3,4,9)

Prayer of Worship, Love & Fullness of God to Eternal Glory (3:14-21)

Chapter 4

Christian Living in the Church (4:1-6)

Perfect Maturity & Experiencing the Fullness of Christ (4:7-16)

Life in the Spirit w/o Quenching or Grieving the Spirit (4:17-32)

Chapter 5

Be Imitators of God by the Holy Spirit (5:1-21)

Parallel Marriages: 1 on Earth & 1 in Heaven = Christ’s Bride (5:22-33)

Chapter 6

Continuation of Chapter 5 (6:1-9)

How to Conduct War in the Spirit (6:10-17)

Prayer, Praise, Thanksgiving, Worship in Love Triumphs Every Time (6:18-24)