

SERMON OUTLINE 10/11/09

SERIES: BENEFITS OF SALVATION

BIBLE PASSAGE: [Ephesians 6:21-24](#); [Ephesians 1-6](#)

TITLE: “SO WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?”

INTRO:

1. Last week-Fantastic Armor For Feeble Sheep...Have you been suiting up?
2. Today-Paul’s final thoughts and a review of the entire book.

PROPOSITION: Apply biblical truth and live for God!

I. PAUL’S FINAL THOUGHTS TO THE EPHESIANS AND TO US, *Ephesians 6:21-24*.

- A. Information, *verses 21, 22*.
- B. Salutation, *verse 23*.
- C. Benediction, *verse 24*.

II. A SUMMARY OF TRUTH FROM THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS, *Ephesians 1-6*.

A. Jesus Offers Peace and Provision, *Ephesians 1:1-14*.

1. A greeting to Ephesian believers, *verses 1, 2*.
2. Possessions from the Father, *verses 3-6*.
3. Possessions from the Son, *verses 7-12*.
4. Possessions from the Holy Spirit, *verses 13, 14*.

B. Believer, Do You Know What You Have, *Ephesians 1:15-23*.

1. Paul compliments their faith, *verse 15*.
2. Paul cries out to God on their behalf, *verses 16-23*.
 - a. That God would give them spiritual understanding, *verses 16-18*.
 - b. That they would know and experience God’s hope, riches, and power, *verses 19-23*.

C. Dead Men Made Alive, *Ephesians 2:1-10*.

1. What we were/mankind’s hopeless condition, *verses 1-3*.
2. What God did/Origin and outcome of salvation, *verses 4-10*.

D. Reconciled Citizens Of God’s Household, *Ephesians 2:11-22*.

1. Believers are “brought near” by Christ’s blood, *verses 11-16*.
2. Believers are placed into God’s household, *verses 17-22*.

E. The Believer’s “Unsearchable” Riches In Christ, *Ephesians 3:1-13*.

1. The “mystery” of the gospel revealed, *verses 1-6*.
2. The declaration of the gospel by Paul and others, *verses 7-13*.

F. Paul’s Prayer For All Believers, *Ephesians 3:13-21*.

1. His petition to God/for enlightenment and enablement, *verses 13-15*.
2. The purpose of this prayer, *verses 16-19*.
 - a. For realization of divine resources.
 - b. For provision of spiritual needs.
 - c. For protection in spiritual warfare.
3. You hold the trigger/God is gloried as the church obeys, *verses 20, 21*.

G. The Church In Shoes...*Ephesians 4:1-16*.

1. The grace of unity/Obedience of God’s principles, *verses 1-3*.
2. The ground of unity/One body, Spirit, Hope of calling, Lord, faith, baptism, and God and Father of all, *verses 4-6*.
3. The gifts of unity in diversity/From Christ to believers through the Holy Spirit, *verses 7-11*.
4. The growth of unity in diversity/Goal-mature believers, *verses 12-16*.

- H. Learning Christ/Grave Clothes Vs. Grace Clothes, *Ephesians 4:17-24*.
1. The grace clothes of the “old man”, (dark mind, hard heart and sin-saturated life), *verses 17-19*.
 2. The grace clothes of the NEW MAN, (conversion and sanctification), *verses 20-24*.
- I. The Steps Of A Good (New) Man, *Ephesians 4:25-32*.
1. Putting on grace clothes/freedom in Christ, (freedom over dishonesty, anger, stealing, corrupt speech, unkindness, and unforgiveness).
- J. A Summons To Purity, *Ephesians 5:1-7*.
1. Live in holiness, out of love, *verses 1, 2*.
 2. Identify and overcome love’s enemies, hate sin, *verses 3-7*.
- K. A Summons To Live In The Light, *Ephesians 5:6-14*.
1. The topic of LIGHT in Scripture, (source, definition, and purpose).
 2. The testimony of “lights” in this world, *verses 6-14*.
- L. Practicing The Basics, *Ephesians 5:15-21*.
1. Grow in spiritual wisdom, *verse 15*.
 2. Redeem the time for God, *verse 16*.
 3. Pursue the will of God, *verse 17*.
 4. Keep your spirit and body under Holy Spirit control, *verses 18-20*.
 5. Defer to the will of others, *verse 21*.
- M. A Husband’s Loving Leadership, *Ephesians 5:25-33*.
1. Love defined/eros, phileo, and agape.
 2. Love demonstrated, (nourish, cherish, honor, understand, and sacrifice for your wife), *verses 25-33*.
- N. A Wife’s Submissive Support, *Ephesians 5:21-33*.
1. Submission defined...
 2. Submission demonstrated, (respect, trust, support, accept, and admire your husband), *verses 21-33*.
- O. God’s Plan For The Family/Issues, *Ephesians 6:1-4*.
- P. God’s Plan For The Family/Children, *Ephesians 6:1-4*.
1. The command to obey, *verse 1*.
 2. The command to honor, *verses 2, 3*.
- Q. God’s Plan For The Family/Parents, *Ephesians 6:1-4*.
1. Parents identified, *verse 4*.
 2. Parents instructed, (negative and positive), *verse 4*.
- R. Honoring God In Relationships, *Ephesians 5:21-6:9*.
1. Directives for husbands and wives, *Ephesians 5:21-33*.
 2. Directives for children, *Ephesians 6:1-3*.
 3. Directives for parents, *Ephesians 6:4*.
 4. Directives for employees, *Ephesians 6:5-8*.
 5. Directives for employers, *Ephesians 6:9*.
- S. God’s Power Over Satan’s Schemes, *Ephesians 6:10-13*.
1. Appropriating God’s power/believers, *verse 10*.
 2. Believer’s protection is God’s armor, *verses 11-13*.
 3. Battle strategy based on Satan’s methods, vs. 11-13
 4. Four principles to believe in and stand on!
- T. Fantastic Armor For Feeble Sheep, *Ephesians 6:10-20*.
1. The application of God’s armor, (purpose and pieces), *verses 10-17*.
 2. The approach to the THRONE OF GOD, (two great needs and four great principles of prayer), *verses 18-20*.
 3. Prayer for boldness and protection, *verses 19, 20*.