

▼ Defining Reality - Part 6 - Handout 1 of 2

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- **Passage: Ephesians 1 - 5**

▼ Who is Jesus?

▼ Ephesians 1:

- Raised from the dead and seated at God's right hand. Ephesians - 1:20
- Permanently far above all rule, authority, power, dominion, title. - Ephesians 1:21
- Head over everything for the church. Ephesians 1:22

▼ Ephesians 2:

- The Chief Cornerstone of God's household. - Ephesians 2:20

▼ Ephesians 3:

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▼ Ephesians 4:

- The one who gave apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers to the church to prepare God's people for service to build up the body of Christ. - Ephesians 4:11-13

▼ Ephesians 5:

- Head and savior of the church. - Ephesians 5:23
- The one who gave himself for the church to make her holy. - Ephesians 5:25-26

▼ What's God up to?

▼ Ephesians 1:

- He's sending us grace and peace. - Ephesians 1:2
- Bringing everything in heaven and earth under Jesus Christ. - Ephesians 1:11
- Making his resurrection class power available for us. - Ephesians 1:19

▼ Ephesians 2:

- He made us alive even when we were dead in transgressions. - Ephesians 2:4-5
- Showing off the riches of his grace. Ephesians 2:7

▼ Ephesians 3:

- Making known through the church his manifold wisdom to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms according to his eternal purpose accomplished in Christ. - Ephesians 3:10-11
- He wants to strengthen through his Spirit. - Ephesians 3:16
- He wants us to be able to grasp his great love. - Ephesians 3:18
- He wants to fill us with himself. - Ephesians 3:19

▼ Ephesians 4:

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▼ Ephesians 5:

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▼ **Who am I in Christ?**

▼ Ephesians 1:

- a saint, faithful - Ephesians 1:1
- chosen before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless. - Ephesians 1:4
- predestined to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ. - Ephesians 1:5
- Included in Christ. - Ephesians 1:13
- Part of the church - Christ's body. - Ephesians 1:23

▼ Ephesians 2:

- Formerly dead in my transgressions and sins, following Satan and the ways of this world. - Ephesians 2:1-2
- Formerly an object of wrath following the desires and thoughts of my flesh. - Ephesians 2:3
- Seated in the heavenly realms in Christ. - Ephesians 2:6
- Saved by grace through faith. - Ephesians 2:8-9
- God's workmanship. - Ephesians 2:10
- Included in God's people and God's covenants. - Ephesians 2:11-13
- Fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household - Ephesians 2:19
- Part of God's temple. - Ephesians 2:21-22

▼ Ephesians 3:

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▼ Ephesians 4:

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▼ Ephesians 5:

- Light in the Lord. - Ephesians 5:8

▼ **What do I have in Christ?**

▼ Ephesians 1:

- Every spiritual blessing. - Ephesians 1:3
- God's grace freely given. - Ephesians 1:6
- Redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins. - Ephesians 1:7
- God's grace lavished on me with all wisdom and understanding. - Ephesians 1:8
- The Holy Spirit. - Ephesians 1:13

▼ Ephesians 2:

- Access to the Father by the Spirit. - Ephesians 2:18

▼ Ephesians 3:

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▼ Ephesians 5:

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▼ **What can I do in Christ?**

▼ Ephesians 1:

- I can know the mystery of God's will. - Ephesians 1:9

▼ Ephesians 2:

- Good works. - Ephesians 2:10

▼ Ephesians 3:

- Approach God with freedom and confidence through faith in Christ Jesus our Lord. - Ephesians 3:12

▼ Ephesians 4:

- Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. - Ephesians 4:2
- Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. - Ephesians 4:3
- Speak the truth in love. - Ephesians 4:15
- Stop living like the gentiles. - Ephesians 4:17-19
- Put off the old humanity and put on the new. - Ephesians 4:22-24
- Put off falsehood and speak truthfully. - Ephesians 4:25
- Refuse to dwell in anger or give the devil a foothold. - Ephesians 4:26-27
- Work instead of stealing; share with others. - Ephesians 4:28
- Instead of unwholesome words, speak words that build others up. - Ephesians 4:29
- Avoid grieving the Holy Spirit. - Ephesians 4:30
- Get rid of bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. - Ephesians 4:31
- Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other. - Ephesians 4:32

▼ Ephesians 5:

- Imitate God and live a life of love. - Ephesians 5:1-2
- Avoid even hint of sexual immorality; avoid obscenity, foolish talk, coarse joking. - Ephesians 5:3-4
- Live as a child of light. - Ephesians 5:8
- Find out what pleases the Lord. - Ephesians 5:10
- Expose the deeds of darkness rather than being involved with them. - Ephesians 5:11

- Live wisely rather than unwisely. - Ephesians 5:15
- Make the most of every opportunity. - Ephesians 5:16
- Instead of being foolish, understand the Lord's will. - Ephesians 5:17
- Avoid intoxication and be filled with the Spirit. - Ephesians 5:18
- Speak psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to others and to the Lord. - Ephesians 5:19
- Always give God thanks. - Ephesians 5:20
- Submit to one another. - Ephesians 5:21
- Submit to your husband (wives). - Ephesians 5:22
- Love your wife as Christ loved the church (husbands). - Ephesians 5:25
- Love your wife as your own body (husbands). - Ephesians 5:28
- Love your wife as you love yourself (husbands). - Ephesians 5:33
- Respect your husband (wives). - Ephesians 5:33

▼ **Discussion / Reflection Questions:**

- Who is Jesus? What is God up to? Who are you in Christ? What do you have in Christ? What can you do in Christ?
- Which kind of world have you believed in - a progressive one or a wobbly one?
- Are you living up to your calling as explained in Ephesians 4 - 6? Which disciplines are already established in your life? Which disciplines do you need to work on?

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- **Passage: Ephesians 6**

▼ **Purpose of the Sermon (what listeners should do)**

- ▶ Learn to extract from key Bible texts the answers to the following 5 questions:

▼ **Who is Jesus?**

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▼ **What's God up to?**

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▼ **Who am I in Christ?**

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▼ **What do I have in Christ?**

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▼ **What can I do in Christ?**

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