

Survey of the New Testament
“Ephesians”

I. Introduction.

A. The Letter shares similarities to Colossians.

1. Gentiles move from alienation to reconciliation.
2. Paul’s suffering and ministry in relation to the “mystery.”
3. Christ as head of His body.
4. Rejection of the old life and acceptance of the new one.
5. Exhortations to love
6. Walk wisely
7. Prayer and proclamation of the mystery
8. Admonishment about Christian households
9. Commendation of Tychicus

B. Authorship and timing of the letter.

1. 60-61 A.D. Sent from Rome at the same time as _____.
2. Why Tychicus as the deliverer of all letters?
3. Questions over authorship.
 - a. Early manuscript evidence.
 - b. Unfamiliar tone of letter contrasted with the Acts account.
 - c. Answer – the communication was probably a C_____ L_____.

II. Structure.

A. Beginning and ending.

1. Prescript.
2. Standard epistolary closing.

B. Two major divisions

1. The new humanity as a divine creation.
2. New humanity in its e_____ life.
3. Another perspective is the division between the theological and the practical portion of the letter.

III. Key letter emphasis.

A. The long Greek sentence

1. Significance of...

In _____

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2. The Trinity

3. The doctrine of predestination and election.

4. The doctrine of adoption.

5. The depth of our s_____.

B. Chapter two.

1. Doctrine of Total Depravity

2. Doctrine of Regeneration.

3. Unification of J_____ and G_____.

C. Chapter 3

1. Resumption of prayer, verse 14.

D. Chapter 4

1. Second section of the letter – Verses 4:1 – 6:20.

2. Walk in U_____.

3. Walk in H_____.

E. Chapters 5-6

1. Walk in L_____.

2. Walk in L_____.

3. Walk in W_____.

4. Spiritual warfare