

1. Opening and Closing Words to the Ephesians

- a) Ephesians 1:2, 6:24 What do the opening and closing words of Paul's letter to the Ephesians tell us about his intention in writing his letter under the guidance of the Holy Spirit?
- b) How do we move beyond simply knowing about the grace of God to experiencing the grace of God personally?
- c) Who helped you to learn more about the grace of God and encouraged you to experience God's grace for yourself?
- d) What are the most important lessons you have learned about the grace of God through your study of Paul's letter to the Ephesians?

2. Saved by grace through faith

- a) Ephesians 2:8-9 Who grew up with the idea that God will allow us to spend eternity with him if we are good enough?
- b) Where does that false idea about salvation come from?
- c) Share some wonderful examples from the Bible of individuals who were clearly saved by God's grace through faith and not by their own works?

3. Experiencing a new life in Christ

- a) Ephesians 2:10 How is this new creation life possible? (See also 2 Corinthians 5:17, Ephesians 3:20-21)
- b) Who has a testimony of the joys that come when we experience this new creation life in Christ?

- c) What Bible character impresses you the most as one who experienced total transformation and new creation life in Christ?

4. Walking together in unity

- a) Ephesians 4:1-3 Why can walking together in unity be challenging even in a Christian church?
- b) What are some ways Satan seeks to bring discord and division? Ephesians 4:14, 25, 29, etc.
- c) How can we avoid Satan's snares and keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace? Ephesians 4:31-32
- d) How should we treat individuals who are causing disunity and strife in the church?
- e) How can our family relationships be a witness to those who have not heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ?
- f) Who has been a witness to you of the unity in the Spirit that comes when lives are fully surrendered to Jesus as Savior and Lord?
- g) What is your most important take-away lesson from your study of Paul's letter to the Ephesians?

