



Intro Letter

Ephesians

Welcome to the INTRUTH Bible Study of Ephesians.

Studying the Word of God transforms lives!

The Bible is God's message of redemption. God speaks to us through His Word so we can understand the TRUTH of His character, our need for Him and His desire for us. Ephesians gives one of the most clear explanations of God's previously mysterious plan for redemption, which is now revealed in Christ Jesus. God, speaking through Paul, makes it clear that salvation can come only through faith in God's mercy and grace through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. He describes our position in Christ, and in the body of Christ- the church- and tells us how to live in a way that helps maintain unity with believers in Christ to the glory of God and the benefit of mankind.

This 6 week study covers the entire book of Ephesians and is geared toward adults or young adults. It is written using the English Standard Version (ESV), but any translation will enhance your experience and enrich your group discussion. The language in the NIV and NLT translations of the Bible are especially helpful for understanding difficult passages. Each lesson has a memory verse and around 25 questions to help you learn what the Bible says, understand what it means and how it applies to life and God's bigger picture. Included are encouragements to Learn, Love and Walk in Truth, as well as a short summary of the Scripture covered. To get the most out of this study, first do the lesson on your own, asking God to give you insight. Then you will gain further understanding by discussing the questions in a small group and learning from other people. Relationships are deep and rich when the Bible is the topic of discussion!

The Book of Ephesians is encouraging to believers because it not only makes clear our position in Christ, but tells us how to live the new life in Christ. It addresses relationships and exhorts us to put on the full armor of God to defend ourselves against the powers of evil we face in life.

May the Lord use this study of Ephesians to help you grow in your knowledge and love for God, and develop a life-long love for the Bible. May you come to fully grasp the good news of grace by faith in Christ. May you also connect in a community that prays, supports and shares life together. And may you stand firm against evil by arming yourself with God's Truth.

"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."

Ephesians 2:8-10

Enjoy!