

Study Questions  
Ephesians 6 Revisited  
Sunday August 2<sup>nd</sup>

1). Eph 4:3 *endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.*

a). Using this scripture as a beginning point explain how it is possible for us to be in unity.

2). Php 2:3 *Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.*

a). According to our scripture what are we not to do?

b). What are we to do instead?

c). What would this look like in practice?

d). In what circumstances do we have the opportunity to be obedient to this?

e). How would this play a part in our unity?

3). 1Pe 5:6 *Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, 7 casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.*

a). What are we to do in v6? And What is the result of doing this?

b). What do you think v7 means?

c). How is this connected to our previous two scriptures?

d). What would this look like for us and how difficult is it to do?

e). What if we were to choose not to be faithfully obedient to our three scriptures – what would we be demonstrating through our action?

f). How do we guard against this?

4). 1Co 13:3 *And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing. 4 ¶ Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; 6 does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 ¶ Love never fails.*

a). What does v3 tell us? And what is the implication for this?

b). How important then is it that we should bear with one another in love?

c). How would this be connected with Paul's prayer at the end of Ephesians

Chapter 3?

d). How is it possible for us to love like this?

e). What impact would loving like this have on the Body do you think?

f). So what's stopping us?

5). 1Pe 1:13 ¶ *Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus*

*Christ; 14 as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; 15 but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." 17 And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear; 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.*

- a). What are we to do in v13?
- b). How are we to do this? [v14]
- c). What are we to do in v15-16?
- d). What are we told about the Father in v17 and what impact should this have on us?
- e). Why is this an imperative? [v18-19]
- f). Does 'fear' mean fear?
- g). Can you think of another scripture to go with this?
- h). Why should we be fearful?
- i). Do you have a scripture for this?
- j). If we believe this how will it affect our response to the scriptures?
- k). What stands in the way of our fear of the Lord?

1). How do we overcome this?

6). Eph 4:7 *But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.*

a). What do you understand this to mean?

b). Is the measure of grace given an indicator of God's preference for that person? How do we know?

7). Read 1 Corinthians 12:14-27

a). How is the body described?

b). According to the scripture, how important is each part of the body?

c). Why do some people think that it's only what they do in church that has an impact on the body as a whole?

d). What would such a person need to change in their thinking? And how would they do that?

8). Eph 4:8 *Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men." 9 (Now this, "He ascended" --what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might*

*fill all things.) 11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,*

- a). What are the gifts that Christ gave to men?
- b). How was the giving of gifts made possible?
- c). What is Christ's purpose in giving these gifts?
- d). What should be our response to that which Christ has given us?

9). How should we understand the following ministries within the context of the time they were first given and the present day?

- a). Apostles
- b). Prophets
- c). Evangelists
- d). Pastor-teachers