

Good News from Ephesians

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Introduction

Did he preach the gospel?

The gospel will save people, 1 Cor. 15:1-4

The gospel will help us grow, 2 Peter 3:18, Eph. 4:1

Ephesians Outlined

4:1, "Therefore" means that 4:1ff is built on and points back to what goes before.

The teaching (1-3) undergirds the practice (4-6).

The Teaching

Centering Text: 1:9-10

God's eternal purpose (1)

God's plan (1-2)

God's peace (2)

God's unique promise (3)

God's power in prayer (3)

Therefore, the Practice

Live worthy (4:1)

Live in Christ-like maturity (4:13)

Live not as pagans (as the Gentiles (4:17)

Live in love (5:1)

Live in light (5:8)

Live in wisdom, carefully (5:15)

Conclusion

What do you want from life? What do you want from today?

Three great questions---

- Where are you—emotionally, socially, spiritually, relationally, physically....
- Where are you going?
- How are you going to get there?