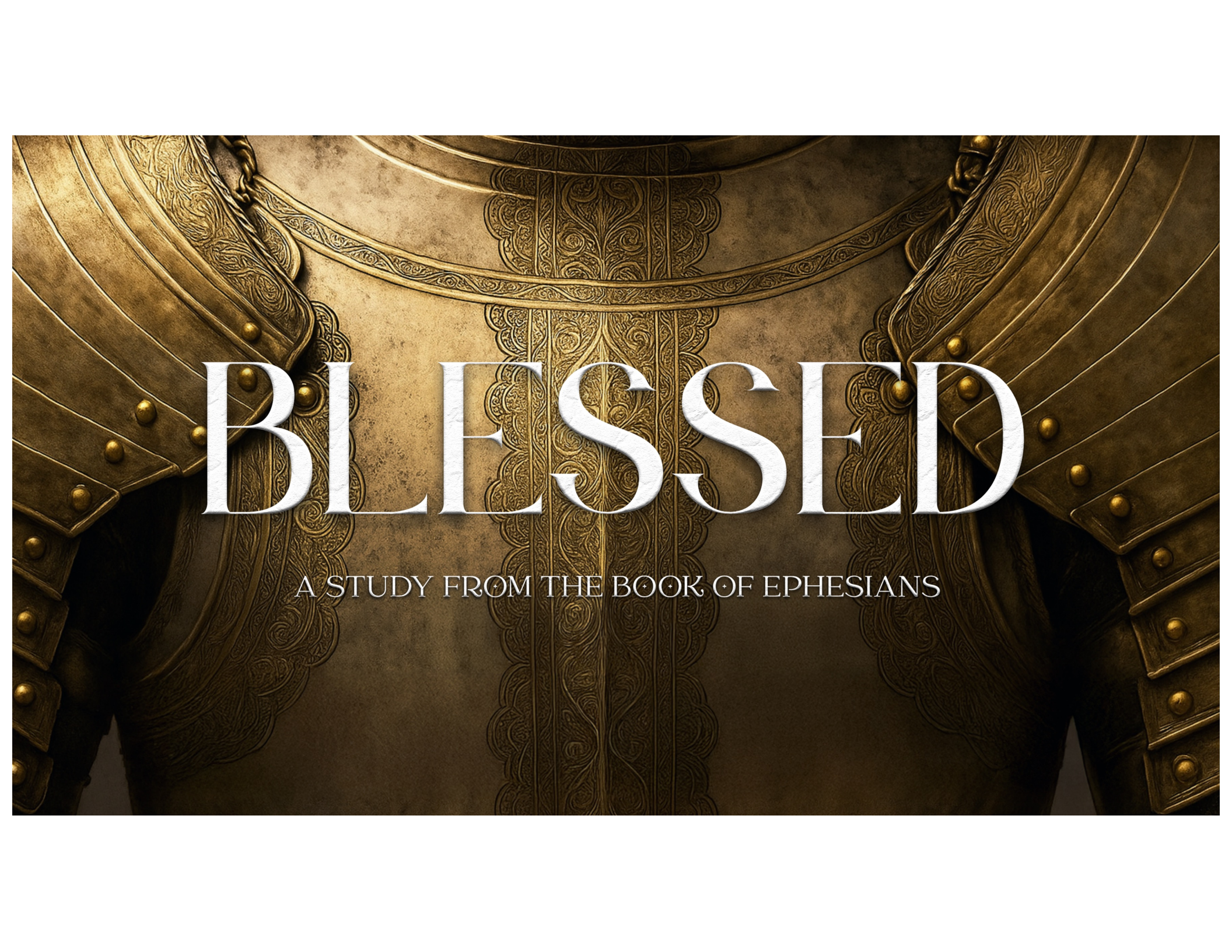




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Ephesians 2: 1-10

¹ As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, ² in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. ³ All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath.

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Ephesians 2: 1-10 (cont'd)

⁴ But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy,
⁵ made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. ⁶ And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, ⁷ in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

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Ephesians 2: 1-10 (cont'd)

⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast. ¹⁰ For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

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1. Sin's Work Against Us (vs. 1-3)

A. He is Dead (vs. 1)

AS FOR YOU, YOU WERE DEAD IN YOUR TRANSGRESSIONS AND SINS,

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1. Sin's Work Against Us (vs. 1-3)

A. He is Dead (vs. 1)

B. He is Disobedient (vs. 2-3a)

² IN WHICH YOU USED TO LIVE WHEN YOU FOLLOWED THE WAYS OF THIS WORLD AND OF THE RULER OF THE KINGDOM OF THE AIR, THE SPIRIT WHO IS NOW AT WORK IN THOSE WHO ARE DISOBEDIENT.

³ ALL OF US ALSO LIVED AMONG THEM AT ONE TIME,

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1. Sin's Work Against Us (vs. 1-3)

A. He is Dead (vs. 1)

B. He is Disobedient (vs. 2-3a)

Three Natures:

1. The World
2. The Devil
3. The Flesh

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1. Sin's Work Against Us (vs. 1-3)

A. He is Dead (vs. 1)

B. He is Disobedient (vs. 2-3a)

C. He is Depraved (vs. 3b)

..GRATIFYING THE CRAVINGS OF OUR FLESH AND FOLLOWING ITS
DESIRES AND THOUGHTS.

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From Death to Life - Four Works

1. Sin's Work Against Us (vs. 1-3)

- A. He is Dead (vs. 1)
- B. He is Disobedient (vs. 2-3a)
- C. He is Depraved (vs. 3b)
- D. He is Doomed (vs. 3c)**

...LIKE THE REST, WE WERE BY NATURE DESERVING OF WRATH.

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John 3:18

WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM IS NOT CONDEMNED, BUT
WHOEVER DOES NOT BELIEVE STANDS CONDEMNED ALREADY
BECAUSE THEY HAVE NOT BELIEVED IN THE NAME OF GOD'S
ONE AND ONLY SON.

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2 Peter 3: 8-10

⁸ BUT DO NOT FORGET THIS ONE THING, DEAR FRIENDS: WITH THE LORD A DAY IS LIKE A THOUSAND YEARS, AND A THOUSAND YEARS ARE LIKE A DAY. ⁹ THE LORD IS NOT SLOW IN KEEPING HIS PROMISE, AS SOME UNDERSTAND SLOWNESS. INSTEAD HE IS PATIENT WITH YOU, NOT WANTING ANYONE TO PERISH, BUT EVERYONE TO COME TO REPENTANCE. ¹⁰ BUT THE DAY OF THE LORD WILL COME LIKE A THIEF. THE HEAVENS WILL DISAPPEAR WITH A ROAR; THE ELEMENTS WILL BE DESTROYED BY FIRE, AND THE EARTH AND EVERYTHING DONE IN IT WILL BE LAID BARE.

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1. Sin's Work Against Us

2. God's Work For Us

A. He Loved Us (vs. 4)

BUT BECAUSE OF HIS GREAT LOVE FOR US, GOD, WHO IS RICH IN
MERCY,

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1. Sin's Work Against Us

2. God's Work For Us

A. He Loved Us (vs. 4)

B. He Quickened Us (vs. 5)

MADE US ALIVE WITH CHRIST EVEN WHEN WE WERE DEAD IN
TRANSGRESSIONS—IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED

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1. Sin's Work Against Us

2. God's Work For Us

A. He Loved Us (vs. 4)

B. He Quickened Us (vs. 5)

C. He Exalted Us (vs. 6)

AND GOD RAISED US UP WITH CHRIST AND SEATED US WITH HIM IN
THE HEAVENLY REALMS IN CHRIST JESUS,

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1. Sin's Work Against Us

2. God's Work For Us

A. He Loved Us (vs. 4)

B. He Quickened Us (vs. 5)

C. He Exalted Us (vs. 6)

D. He Keeps Us (vs. 7-10)

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D. He Keeps Us (Vs. 7-10)

⁷ IN ORDER THAT IN THE COMING AGES HE MIGHT SHOW THE INCOMPARABLE RICHES OF HIS GRACE, EXPRESSED IN HIS KINDNESS TO US IN CHRIST JESUS.

⁸ FOR IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED, THROUGH FAITH—AND THIS IS NOT FROM YOURSELVES, IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD—⁹ NOT BY WORKS, SO THAT NO ONE CAN BOAST. ¹⁰ FOR WE ARE GOD'S HANDIWORK, CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS TO DO GOOD WORKS, WHICH GOD PREPARED IN ADVANCE FOR US TO DO.

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1. Sin's Work Against Us
2. God's Work For Us
- 3. God's Work In Us (vs. 10a)**

FOR WE ARE GOD'S HANDIWORK, CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS TO DO GOOD WORKS, WHICH GOD PREPARED IN ADVANCE FOR US TO DO.

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1. Sin's Work Against Us
2. God's Work For Us
- 3. God's Work In Us (vs. 10a)**

Three Tools:

1. The Word of God
2. Prayer
- 3. Suffering**

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3. God's Work In Us

Three Tools:

Ephesians 4: 22-24

²² YOU WERE TAUGHT, WITH REGARD TO YOUR FORMER WAY OF LIFE, TO PUT OFF YOUR OLD SELF, WHICH IS BEING CORRUPTED BY ITS DECEITFUL DESIRES;
²³ TO BE MADE NEW IN THE ATTITUDE OF YOUR MINDS; ²⁴ AND TO PUT ON THE NEW SELF, CREATED TO BE LIKE GOD IN TRUE RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HOLINESS.

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1. Sin's Work Against Us
2. God's Work For Us
3. God's Work In Us

4. God's Work Through Us (vs. 10b)

¹⁰ FOR WE ARE GOD'S HANDIWORK, CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS TO DO GOOD WORKS, WHICH GOD PREPARED IN ADVANCE FOR US TO DO.

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