

EPHESIANS LINE BY LINE

What are the coming ages?

Ephesians 2:7a

What will God be doing in the coming ages?

Ephesians 2:7a

How will God be displaying His grace?

Ephesians 2:7b

How much, then, of God's grace have we experienced and seen in this life?

What will the response of heaven be for all eternity to God's display of His grace?

Revelation 5:13

When we ponder what God has already done for us and what is still in store for us, what should this lead to?

The story so far...

Paul begins the second chapter of Ephesians by reminding the Christians in Ephesus of the dreadful condition they were in, and all, who are apart from Christ, are in.

Dead – cut off from the life of God.

Disobedient – following the ways of the world, the influence of Satan, and the wickedness of our nature.

Damned – deserving of everlasting wrath.

But there is hope as God, out love for us, has shown mercy by making us alive with Christ.

Ephesians 2:6-7

*“and raised us up with him and seated us with him
in the heavenly places
in Christ Jesus.*

so that

*in the coming ages
he might show
the immeasurable riches of his grace
in kindness towards us
in Christ Jesus.”*

Verse 6a

What is the first thing verse 6 tells us that God has done for us?

Ephesians 2:6a

What are we reminded about ourselves by implication?

Ephesians 2:1

Who has God raised us with?

Ephesians 2:6a

Romans 6:4-5

2 Corinthians 4:14

Colossians 2:12

What does this mean? When Jesus walked out of the tomb, who walked out with Him?

What did Jesus leave behind in the tomb? Why?

John 20:1-8

If we have been raised with Christ, and have walked out of the tomb with Him, what must we leave behind? Why?

Verse 6b

What else does verse 6 tell us that God has done for us?

Ephesians 2:6b

Who has God seated us with?

Ephesians 2:6b

Where is Jesus seated? Where are we seated?

Ephesians 1:20-21

What does this mean practically for our lives in the present?

How does knowing this give us hope for the future?

Do you find it easy to believe that where you are now is seated with Christ at right hand of God the Father? Why? Why not?

Verse 7

Why has God raised us up and seated us with Christ?

Ephesians 2:7