EPHESIANS: A Study by Bill Jones

Rising up alive through Christ, Walking daily as one in Christ, Standing firm with the power of Christ.

- I. Paul's focus in his letter to the Ephesians(The 7 steps to perfection in each category.)
 - A. Rising up alive through Christ (Ephesians 2:5-6)
 - 1. Our Position with Christ, utter dependence on Him (Ephesians 1:3-10, 13-14, 2:4-7)
 - 2. New life, new creatures in Christ (Ephesians 2:1-7)
 - **3. Sitting, reveling in His glorious presence** (Ephesians 2:6, 9)
 - **4. God's perspective, not the world's perspective** (Ephesians 1:18-19, 2:6-7, 10, 3:20-21) (Colossians 3:1-3)
 - 5. Chosen by God to conform to His will and bring Him praise and glory. (Ephesians 1:5-6, 9, 11-14, 3:21, 5:17)
 - **6. Learning to be like Jesus** (Ephesians 1:17, 4:15, 5:1-2)
 - 7. Serving Him yielded to the power of the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 4:30-32)
 - B. Walking daily as one in Christ
 - 1. Christian maturity (Ephesians 4:13-14, 29-32)
 - 2. Growing deeper in becoming more like Jesus (Ephesians 3:16-19, 4:15)
 - **3. Being imitators of God** (Ephesians 3:12, 16-19, 5:1)
 - 4. Living as children of the light (Ephesians 2:10, 5:8-14)
 - **5. Putting off the old self, putting on the new self** (Ephesians 2:1-3, 4:22-24)
 - **6. Walking in unity** (Ephesians 4:2-5, 13, 16, 25)
 - 7. Being faithful in our roles, callings, and gifts to achieve fullness in our relationship with Christ

(Ephesians 1:22-23, 2:10, 3:19, 4:1, 11-12, 16, 5:22-6:9)

C. Standing firm with the power of Christ

- **1. Be strong in the Lord** (Ephesians 1:19, 3:16, 6:10)
- 2. Empty of self and be filled with His power

(Ephesians 1:19, 3:16, 20-21, 6:10)

3. Withstand the powers of darkness

(Ephesians 4:26-27, 5:8-11, 6:12-13)

- 4. Put on the full armor of God (Ephesians 6:11, 13)
- 5. We need the belt of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, the footwear of peace, the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Holy Spirit which is the Word of God.

(Ephesians 6:14-17)

- 6. Pray in the Spirit always (Ephesians 6:18)
- 7. Fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel (Ephesians 6:19-20)