EPHESIANS: A Study by Bill Jones

Rising up alive through Christ, Walking daily as one in Christ, Standing firm with the power of Christ. Ephesians Chapter 6

- I. <u>R</u>elationships and <u>A</u>uthority
 - A. Children and Parents (Ephesians 6:1-4)
 - 1. Obedience to parents and God the Father (Ephesians 6:1)
 - 2. Honor your parents for a long and productive life (Ephesians 6:2-3, Genesis 2:24)
 - 3. Do not frustrate or exasperate your children (Ephesians 6:4)
 - 4. Instruct, train and be an example of Jesus for your children (Ephesians 6:4)
 - B. Slaves and Masters (Workers and bosses) (Ephesians 6:5-9)
 - **1. Obedience to bosses with respect, fear, and a sincere heart as to Christ** (Ephesians 6:5)
 - 2. Not just when the boss is looking (Ephesians 6:6)
 - 3. Doing the bosses will and God's will from your heart (Ephesians 6:6)
 - 4. Serve your boss wholeheartedly as unto the Lord Jesus (Ephesians 6:7)
 - 5. Jesus will reward you even if your boss does not (Ephesians 6:8)
 - 6. Jesus, your master is watching from heaven so treat you employees with dignity and respect because Jesus loves them as He loves you (Ephesians 6:9)
- II. <u>Readying Oneself with the Armor of God</u> (Ephesians 6:10-18)
 - A. Be strong in the Lord and full of His power (Ephesians 6:10)
 - 1. Put on the <u>full</u> armor of God (Ephesians 6:11)
 - 2. Stand against Satan in the power of the Lord Jesus (Ephesians 6:11)
 - a. Struggle is not against flesh and blood (Ephesians 6:12)
 - **b. Struggle is against the powers of darkness and the forces of evil** (Ephesians 6:12, Romans 8:37-39, Ephesians 1:18-23)

- B. Stand your ground with the full armor of God (Ephesians 6:13)
 - 1. Belt of truth (Ephesians 6:14, John 14:6)
 - 2. Breastplate of righteousness (Ephesians 6:14, 2 Corinthians 5:21)
 - 3. Feet fitted with the gospel of peace (Ephesians 6:15, Ephesians 2:14)
 - **4. Shield of faith to extinguish Satan's burning arrows** (Ephesians 6:16, Galatians 2:20)
 - 5. Helmet of salvation (Ephesians 6:17, Luke 2:30)
 - **6. Sword of the Spirit which is the word of God** (Ephesians 6:17, Hebrews 4:12, John 1:1, 14)
 - **7.** Pray in the Spirit continually with all kinds of prayers for the saints (Ephesians 6:18, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, Matthew 6:5-15)
- III. Requests and Final Adieu (Ephesians 6:19-24)
 - A. Paul requests prayer (Ephesians 6:19-20)
 - 1. To make known the mystery of the gospel (Ephesians 6:19)
 - 2. To do it fearlessly even though he is in chains (Ephesians 6:20)
 - B. Final Adieu (Ephesians 6:21-24)
 - 1. Sending Tychicus (Ephesians 6:21)
 - a. To deliver this letter (Ephesians 6:21)
 - b. Update them on everything that is happening (Ephesians 6:21-22)
 - c. Encourage them (Ephesians 6:22)
 - 2. Grants them peace and love from the Lord (Ephesians 6:23)
 - 3. Grants grace to all who love Jesus wholeheartedly (Ephesians 5:24)