

CHECK YOUR RECEIVER

LESSON 2 – OUTLINE

- I. Ephesians was written from the perspective of what has already taken place.

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EPHESIANS 1:1-3, EMPHASIS MINE

- A. Notice the terminology here: “Blessed be God who *has*—past tense, it’s already . been done—blessed us with all spiritual blessings.”
- B. Really, “*all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ*” is just an old English way of expressing the truth that God has already blessed you with everything—and it’s in the spiritual realm.
- C. Everything that God has done for you has already been deposited into your born-again spirit.
- D. Although it’s already there, you must draw it out of the spirit and into the physical realm.
- II. If we asked someone for something they knew we already had, how would they respond to us?
- A. There’d probably be an awkward silence, which sounds a lot like how God often responds to us!

I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

HEBREWS 13:5

Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

MATTHEW 18:20

- B. When we ask God for what He has already given us, we’re letting our senses dominate us.

- III. Wherever you are right now, there are television signals all around you.
- A. Just because you can't perceive them with your five natural senses doesn't mean they're not present.
 - B. When you turned on and tuned in your television set is when you started receiving, but it's not when the station began broadcasting.
 - C. God is the Giver of all earthly and spiritual blessings (Eph. 1:3), and He's already transmitted them to you.
 - D. If you aren't seeing them manifest in your life, the problem isn't with God's transmitter.
 - E. You need to fix your receiver.

Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

MATTHEW 28:20

- IV. You need to believe that you're already blessed (Eph. 1:3).
- A. God has already given you healing, wisdom, revelation, prosperity, joy, peace everything you'll ever need.
 - B. All you have to do is renew your mind and let these things manifest themselves through you.
- V. There was an actual transformation that took place in your spirit the very moment you were born again.
- A. Now you have love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance (Gal. 5:22-23).
 - B. You are—right now in your spirit—identical to Jesus (1 John 4:17 and 1 Cor. 6:17).
 - C. The same power that raised Christ from the dead now lives inside of you (Eph. 1:19-20).
- VI. It's infinitely easier to release something you know and believe you already have than it is to try and go get something you don't.
- A. If you're not absolutely convinced that you've already got it, you'll either submit to or have to battle thoughts that you won't get it.
 - B. However, once you know it's yours, how could you doubt you'd get it?
 - C. This is simple, but so profound.

- VII. It's like that television signal.
- A. If you aren't seeing the picture, it's not God who isn't transmitting; it's your receiver that isn't working right.
 - B. You need to get into the owner's manual—God's Word—and start studying.
 - C. Find out how to turn that thing on, tune it in, eliminate the static, and deal with things to get the best reception.
 - D. God is waiting on you to believe and receive.
- VIII. Once Andrew understood this, things turned around.

By whose stripes ye were healed.

1 PETER 2:24, EMPHASIS MINE

- A. Don't fight to *get* healed; fight because you've *been* healed.
- B. Don't fight in an attempt to obtain healing; fight to defend the healing that's already been provided for you in Christ.
- C. Allow this revelation to sink in and change your attitude toward everything you receive from the Lord!

LESSON 2 – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

My *Spirit, Soul & Body* teaching goes into much more depth on these truths. It reveals from God's Word how your born-again spirit is already as perfect, complete, and full of God's blessing and power as it ever will be throughout all eternity.

Spirit, Soul & Body was one of the first revelations I received through studying the Bible. It has served as a foundation for almost everything the Lord has shown me since. These important truths freed me from the bondage of much wrong thinking and enabled me to consistently experience God's supernatural power. Personally, I cannot comprehend how anyone can truly prosper in their relationship with God apart from understanding this basic revelation. I've seen the Lord set more people free through *Spirit, Soul & Body* than almost anything else I've ever ministered. Check it out!

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LESSON 2 – DISCIPLESHIP QUESTIONS

1. According to Ephesians 1:1-3, we have (past tense) been blessed with what?
2. According to 1 Peter 2:24, we were (past tense) healed by what?
3. Read Ephesians 1:19-21. The power that raised Christ from the dead and set Him at the right hand of the Father is to _____.
4. Hebrews 13:5 tells us two things God will never do. What are they?
5. According to Matthew 18:20, Jesus promised to be there in the midst of whom?
6. As an Old Testament saint, David asked God in Psalm 51:10-12 to create in him a what?
7. And to renew what?
8. David asked God not to cast him away from His presence nor take His _____ from him.
9. What did David ask Him to restore unto him?
10. Read Hebrews 9:12 and 14. How many times did Jesus enter in the holy place?
11. What did Jesus obtain for us?
12. What purges our consciences from dead works?
13. Matthew 28:20 tells us that Jesus is with us for how long?
14. Even to what?
15. According to James 5:15, what shall save the sick?
16. Who shall raise them up?
17. What will happen if they have committed sins?
18. Read Galatians 5:22-23. Is there any law against the fruit of the Spirit?
19. First John 4:17 says that as Jesus is, so are _____ in this world.
20. According to 1 Corinthians 6:17, those who are joined to the Lord are what?

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LESSON 2 – SCRIPTURES

EPHESIANS 1:1-3

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1 PETER 2:24

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

EPHESIANS 1:19-21

And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, [20] Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, [21] Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come.

HEBREWS 13:5

Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

MATTHEW 18:20

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

PSALM 51:10-12

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. [11] Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. [12] Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

HEBREWS 9:12

Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

HEBREWS 9:14

How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

MATTHEW 28:20

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

JAMES 5:15

And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

GALATIANS 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, [23] Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

1 JOHN 4:17

Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

1 CORINTHIANS 6:17

But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.