



*Pursue: Women Pursuing Christ Through His Word*  
*2020-2021*  
*Lecture Notes*  
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*Ephesians Lesson 1*

## *A Marvelous Union*

*To be in Christ means to be united with him.*

*As a result of this union with Christ:*

1. We are **in** Christ.
2. Christ is **in us**.
3. We are **like** Christ.
4. We are **with** Christ.

*Consider the book of Ephesians to be broken up in 2 parts:*

- I. Chapters 1-3 as “In Him” ... What we have in Christ.  
II. Chapters 4-6 as “Through Him” ... What our union with Christ results in through Him.

*Wayne Grudem says it this way, “Every aspect of God’s relationship to believers is in some way connected to our relationship with Christ.”*

*This was Paul's hope for believers: For Christians to live in Christ.*

*"Just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, \_\_\_\_\_,  
rooted and built up in him," Colossians 2:6-7*

*IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO JUST HAVE CHRIST'S IDEAS IN US BUT NEVER LOOSE SIGHT HE IS IN US!*

*Not just \_\_\_\_\_ the gospel but \_\_\_\_\_ the power. Ephesians 1:18-19 A transformed life!*

*John MacArthur footnote says, “Paul therefore did not pray that God’s power be given to believers but that **they be aware of the power they already possessed in Christ and use it.**” He mentions that power that works within us again in Ephesians 3:20.*

*What do we as believers have in Him?*

## *Ephesians chapter 1:*

- In Him we are \_\_\_\_\_. Eph.1:1
- In Him we are \_\_\_\_\_ by the Father. Eph.1: 3

- In Him we are \_\_\_\_\_. Eph. 1:4
- In Him we are \_\_\_\_\_. Eph. 1:7
- In Him the mysterious nature of God's will is \_\_\_\_\_. Eph. 1:9
- In Him is the full uniting of all things. Eph. 1:10
- In Him an \_\_\_\_\_. Eph. 1:11
- In Him salvation and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit. Eph. 1:13
- In Him the gift of the spirit of \_\_\_\_\_. Eph. 1:17
- In Him God's working of His immeasurable \_\_\_\_\_. Eph. 1:20

#### *Ephesians chapter 2:*

- In Him we are raised from the dead and seated with Him. Eph. 2:6 (Col2:12,3:1)
- In Him we are shown immeasurable \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Eph. 2:7
- In Him we were created for good works. Eph. 2:10
- In Him we are brought \_\_\_\_\_ by His blood. Eph. 2:13 \*We were far off, now brought near.
- In Him the dividing wall of hostility was \_\_\_\_\_ in His flesh. Eph. 2:14 \*Peace with God produces peace with one another.
- In Him the creation of peace happens by the defeating of the two selves. Eph. 2:15 (Jew and Gentile reconciled)
- In Him we are being built into a home for the Holy Spirit. Eph. 2:22 (1Peter 2:4-5)

#### *Ephesians chapter 3:*

- In Him we see the mystery of Jews and Gentiles partaking in the \_\_\_\_\_. Eph. 3:6
- In Him we have boldness and confident access. Eph. 3:12
- In Him glory is given to God in the Church. Eph. 3:21



- It's not an adding on. It's a putting in. = A Marvelous Union

*We are not "adding" Jesus to our lives. Our life is now a Galatians 2:20 reality!*

- Nothing can separate these two once they have been joined. They are united.

☐ *You are united with Christ by order of the King. It is a sacred union that changes this life and the one to come. Do you realize that because He is enough YOU ARE ENOUGH? Take time to marvel at the impossible. You were once far off and He brought you near. This changes everything.*