

Ephesians: God's Grace for Us We Are Alive

1. We were born into the walking dead. *Ephesians 2:1-3; Psalm 51:5; Romans 1:21; Ephesians 2:4-7*

2. We are made alive with Christ. *Romans 5:8; Romans 10:9; Colossians 3:1-2; Philipians 3:20*

- **Made us alive:**
- **Raised us up:**
- **Seated us with Him**

3. We are created in Christ to walk in God's purposes for us. *Ephesians 2:8-10; Romans 3:22; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Philipians 1:11*

In this series "Ephesians: God's Grace to Us", we are going to SOAP our way through Ephesians. That means for our reading guide, every day there will be just a few verses from Ephesians to meditate on. We will do that by SOAPing. This works best if you have a journal, where each day you:

S- Scripture: Write out each verse

O- Observation: Write out what the verse is saying. You can use a commentary for this.

A- Application: Write out how the verse applies to my life, how does this truth impact me?

P- Prayer: Pray for God to work this truth deep into my mind and heart.

Next Week's Reading Guide:

Ephesians 2:11-13

Ephesians 2:14

Ephesians 2:15

Ephesians 2:16

Ephesians 2:17-18

Ephesians 2:19

Ephesians 2:20-22

Discussion Questions:

1. Share about what life was like for you before Christ. What was it like to be part of the walking dead?
2. Share about the time in your life that you were made alive in Christ.
3. Discuss the truth of being seated with Christ. How should that truth impact the way we process life? How does that truth impact how we respond to difficult relationships and circumstances of life? Share real life examples.
4. Share some of the changes you have had in your character since being made alive in Christ.
5. Share how you are fulfilling God's purpose of reconciling people back to Him.