### OUR UNITY IS WITH JESUS CHRIST!

Ephesians 1



One Church, One Body, One Hope Message Series



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### THEY SAID TO FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS

SO I WENT BACK

## WHENEVER I TRY TO EAT HEALTHY A CHOCOLATE BAR LOOKS AT ME & SNICKERS



### **Ephesians**

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Written to the church in Ephesus by Paul around 60 A.D. while under house arrest in Rome.

Written to encourage and strengthen the church and explain the nature and purpose of the church, Christ's Body.

### What makes someone a Saint?

# Believing & Following Jesus as your Lord and Savior!

### Blessed beyond measure because of Jesus!

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ." verse 3

"For he chose us... holy and blameless... in his sight...

He predestined us for adoption... to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves." verses 4-6

#### Saved & Redeemed because of Jesus!

"In Him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when times reach their fulfillment, to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ."

verses 7-10

### The Holy Spirit unites us as ONE Body!

"When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are in God's possession, to the praise of his glory." Ephesians 1:13-14

"All the believers were together and had everything in common... The Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved."

Acts 2:44,47

# When the world looks at the church, what do they see us passionate about?

"I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms..." Verses 16-20

And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

**Ephesians 1:22-23**