

Spiritually Dead BUT GOD Made Us Alive

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Ephesians 2:1-10

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Ephesians Theme: The Eternal Plan of God

Ephesians Outline

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| I. | Position of the Christian | Ephesians 1-3 |
| II. | Practice of the Christian | Ephesians 4-6 |

Ephesians Theme Verse: Ephesians 4:1 - ¹Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called,

Passage Theme Statement: When we were born into this world, we were physically alive but spiritually dead. For true Christians, it was God who made us spiritually alive and enabled us by God's grace to believe in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to be eternally identified with Christ in the heavenly places. While good works played no role in our new spiritual life in Christ, we are called to do the good works which God prepared for us to do.

Passage Key Verse: Ephesians 2:8-9 - ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; ⁹not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

I. We were physically alive but spiritually dead - Ephesians 2:1-3

1. We were _____ dead on account of our _____ and _____
- v. 1
2. We were living by the _____ - v. 2
3. We were living by the standard of _____ - v. 3

II. "But God" made us spiritually alive - Ephesians 2:4-7

1. "But God" made us _____ alive with Christ according to His _____ and _____ for us - v. 4-5
2. "But God" _____ with Christ - v. 6a
3. "But God" _____ with Christ in the heavenly places - v. 6b

4. SO THAT forever God might express the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in _____ - v. 7

III. Once saved by faith alone, we are to be God's workers - Ephesians 2:8-10

1. **FOR** it is by the gift of _____ you have been saved through the _____ - v. 8-9
2. **FOR** we are God's _____—the tasks are _____ in Christ Jesus but are _____ ahead of time by God for us to do - v. 10

Application:

1. "FOR by grace you have been saved through faith" - If you are not saved, repent and believe in the gospel of Jesus Christ - Ephesians 2:8; Mark 1:15
2. "FOR we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them" - Ephesians 2:10; Matthew 5:16