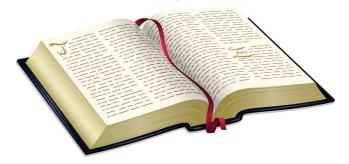
## **Bible Correspondence Fellowship**

Answer Sheet for King James Version (KJV)



## Ephesians - Lesson 1 of 2

So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out on us who belong to his dear Son. **Ephesians. 1:6 (NLT)** 

**BOOK OF EPHESIANS:** This letter was written by the apostle Paul while he was a prisoner in Rome about AD 60-62. Although it bears the name of the church in Ephesus, it was intended to be circulated among all the churches in Asia. It addresses the common needs of all believers and the truths most essential for today's church, also known as the Body of Christ. When you are done you should have a better appreciation of your position in Christ and how to live a more Christ-like life.

Please read	through	the entire	<b>Book of</b>	Ephesians.	☐ Check
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If you see a scripture reference next to the question number, then the answer will come directly from that scripture.

## **Chapter 1**

- (v. 1:1) How did Paul become an apostle (chosen messenger) of Christ Jesus?
   <u>by the will of God</u>
   To whom is this letter written? <u>to the saints which are at Ephesus</u>
   and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:
- 3. In his greeting verse 1:2 Paul emphasizes grace and peace. **Grace** means receiving blessings or something you did not earn. In your own words, write a time you experienced grace or peace:

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	(v. 1:3) According to Ephesians 1:3 how has God blessed us? th all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:
5.	(v. 1:4) When were we chosen in Christ?
	he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world
6.	(v. 1:5) What did God predestinate (determine beforehand) us to/ for? Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ
7.	(v. 1:6) Fill in the blanks:to the praise of God's glorious grace which He hath made us accepted in the beloved.
8.	(v. 1:8) According to the riches of God's grace, we have two things. What are they? wisdom and prudence;
9.	(v. 1:11) What have we obtained/received as a result of being in Christ? In whom also we have obtained an inheritance
10	O. (v. 1:13) What did you have to hear before you believed in Christ?  after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation:
STOP	! Take a moment to pray and ask God to help you think of someone with whom you
might	share what you are learning about Jesus Christ. Begin praying for that person and look
for op	pportunities to share with him/her .
Perso	n's Name:
11	. Observe also in verse 1:13 that we are "sealed" into Christ / believed in Christ.  Who causes this to happen? ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,
12	. According to verse 14, why was the Holy Spirit given to us? the praise of his glory
13	3. If you are God's possession, sealed by the Holy Spirit until the day of redemption and guaranteed an inheritance, can you lose your salvation? (see John 10:27-29)  Yes No $\times$
	(v. 1:17) What did Paul pray that God would give the believers?
	may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

14. Paul's prayer continues in verses 18 and 19. The prayer concerns three things "that
you may know":
1. (v. 1:18) the hope of his calling,
2. (v. 1:18) the riches of the glory
3. (v. 1:19) the exceeding greatness of his power
15. (v. 1:20) How was God's power demonstrated? he raised him from the dead
16. (v. 1:20) Where is Christ Jesus right now? set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,
17. (v. 1:21) Over what has Christ been given authority by the Father?  above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named
18. When does Christ have this authority? , not only in this world and in that which is to con
20. (v. 1:22) What position does Christ have over the Church? to be the head over all things
21. (v. 1:23) What is the church called? Which is his body
Chapter 2
For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them. <b>Ephesians 2:8-10 (NASB)</b>
This is one of the most important chapters of the Bible. It focuses upon the Christian's life, past, present and future. It shows what your condition was before you accepted Christ and what your life has become as a result of Christ's work. This chapter also emphasizes the importance of salvation by grace through faith, plus nothing else, and establishes the foundation upon which the church, the Body of Christ, is built.
Read Ephesians 2:1-22   Check
<ol> <li>Verses 2:1-3 According to each of these verses, what condition were the believers in be fore they accepted Christ? (Note to KJV users: In verse 1, the word "quickened" means "made alive")</li> </ol>
Verse 1: dead in trespasses and sins;
Verse 1:
Vorce 2: n the lusts of our flesh.

2.	(v. 2:2) The prince/ruler/commander of the power (who is Satan) works in now worketh in the children of disobedience:
3.	(v. 2:4) Why did God show us mercy? for his great love wherewith he loved us,
4.	(v. 2:5) What did God do for us even though we were dead in sin? quickened us together with Christ,
	(v. 2:6) What is our position in Christ now? made us sit together in heavenly places Christ Jesus:
6.	(v. 2:7) What will be made known in the ages to come? the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.
E	phesians 2:8-9 are important salvation verses. Take time now to memorize them.  Be prepared to write them out at the end of this chapter.
7.	(v. 2:8-9) "Grace" means a free gift. If salvation is a free gift, what can we do to earn it?  Nothing
tunity death,	It is because of God's grace in sending Jesus to die in our place that we have an opporto receive salvation from the penalty of sin. According to Romans 6:23 that penalty is , separation from God. It is by faith in Christ Jesus, not anything we might do, that we e that free gift and will never be separated from God again.
8.	(v. 2:10) What are you in Christ? we are his workmanship,
	For what purpose were you created? unto good works which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
9.	(v. 2:12) List four aspects of the Gentile condition indicating their utter helplessness before Christ.  1. without Christ
	2. aliens from the commonwealth of Israel,
	3. strangers from the covenants of promise
	having no hope, and without God in the world:

- 10. (v. 2:13) How were these "far off" Gentiles brought near to God? now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.
- 11. (v. 2:14) Is there any distinction made between Jews and Gentiles? made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

How did Christ make peace between these two groups?

Having abolished in his flesh the enmity

12. (v. 2:15) Verses 14 and 15 refer to the Old Testament commandments and ordinances that separated Israel from the Gentiles. Having torn down this barrier, what did Christ make of Jew and Gentile believers?

to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

- 13. (v. 2:16) By what means did God make "one body" out of Jew and Gentile believers? he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross,
- 14. (v. 2:17) Who were those who were far off from God? Gentiles

Who were those that were near to God? Jews

(If you are not sure, please reread verses 11-13.)

Verse 2:18 refers to all three members of the Trinity: the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It was Christ's death in our place, paying the penalty for our sin that allowed us the possibility of salvation. It was the work of the Holy Spirit which drew us to Christ, gave us saving faith, and baptized us into the "one body" (1 Cor. 12:13). By this work we are drawn close to God and rest assured in the knowledge that we will spend eternity with Him.

- 15. (v. 2:19) What are we no longer? ye are no more strangers and foreigners
- 16. What are we now?

but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

- 17. (v. 2:20) Who is the chief cornerstone of God's church today? Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;
- 18. (v. 2:21) What kind of building does Paul call the church, the body of Christ? holy Temple

19	. (v. 2:22) God is dwelling in this temple today through the  Spirit				
Write	rite out Ephesians. 2:8-9 from memory:				
	Chapter 3				
1.	(v. 3:1) Whose prisoner did Paul say he was? Jesus Christ				
2.	For whose benefit was he a prisoner? for you Gentiles				
3.	(v. 3:3) How was the mystery of the body of Christ made known to Paul? by revelation he made known unto me the mystery;				
	<b>NOTE:</b> The word "revelation" is defined as God's disclosure of Himself and of His will to His creatures.				
4.	(v. 3:5) Concerning the mystery, what does Paul say about prior ages and generations? in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men				
5.	(v. 3:6) What was the message of this mystery? That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body,				
	and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:				
6.	(v. 3:7) How did Paul become a minister or servant?  I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effects				
7.	(v. 3:8) What did Paul preach among the Gentiles? the unsearchable riches of Christ;				
8.	(v. 3:9) How long had the mystery been kept secret? which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God				
9.	(v. 3:10) How is the "manifold wisdom of God" to be made known? might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,				

10. If this was a commission or a ministry given of God to the apostle Paul, are we to accept it as also given to us? <b>Yes No</b> $\square$ (Read 1 Corinthians 11:1)
11. (vs. 3:11-12) In whom do we have boldness and access to God?  Jesus Christ
12. We know from the Book of Acts that Paul suffered greatly in taking this message to the Gentiles. When he wrote Ephesians he was in a Roman prison. What was he concerned about in verse 3:13? <a href="that your faint not at my tribulations for you">that your faint not at my tribulations for you</a>
13. Paul was more concerned about others than he was his own circumstances. The next few verses contain his prayer for believers:
(v. 3:16) How is your inner man to be strengthened?strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;
(v. 3:17a) How is Christ to dwell in your heart? Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; (v. 3:17b) How are you to be rooted and grounded? being rooted and grounded in love
14. (vv. 3:18-19) What goes well beyond knowledge? the love of Christ
With what may you be filled? ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.
15. (v. 3:20) What is God able to do for you? exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think
16. Where is God's power at work? according to the power that worketh in us,
Salvation by grace through faith is at the heart of being a child of God. "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast" (Ephesians 2:8–9). The statement has three parts—salvation, grace, and faith—and they are equally important. The three together constitute the basic principle of Christianity.
In your own words, what does this mean to you?

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