



Discussion Questions

Sermon Title: "An Introduction to the Book of Ephesians", Sermon Passage: Overview of Ephesians

1. Read Ephesians 1:1-2 and summarize the passage for the group. Tell everyone how it fits into the surrounding verses and the rest of the Book of Ephesians as a whole.

2. Why is Ephesians called the Believer's Bank and the Christian's Checkbook? Why is it called the Grand Canyon of Scripture and the Himalayas of Blessing? With that in mind, what does it mean to say that some of us live like spiritual misers today?

3. Explain the meaning of the word "apostle" in verse 1 and "prisoner of Christ Jesus" in 3:1 and 4:1. Now tell the group why it was so essential for Paul to remember that he was a prisoner of Christ first and not a prisoner of the Jews or of Rome. How can we apply that to our lives today? We may not be in prison but how can we serve Christ in our homes and our jobs and our church?

4. What kind of place was the city of Ephesus? What kind of sins did they struggle with and how does Paul address those and provide a solution for them in this Letter?

5. Tell the group the outline of the Book of Ephesians. How is it divided up and how does that remind us that Jesus fills us with "grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ (verse 2)"? How does it encourage us to go to Him for all that we need?