Ephesians

Outlines

1. Doctrine (1-3) – Practice (4-6)

The Wealth of the Believer – Ephesians 1-3

1. All spiritual blessings (1)
   Doxology to the Triune God
   Prayer for understanding of these blessings
2. Salvation (2)
   Personal blessing
   Historical blessing
3. Ministry (3)
   The mystery – a new dispensation
   Prayer for fulfillment of the wealth in believers

The Duty of the Church: Unity and Holiness – Ephesians 4

1. A worthy walk (4:1-6)
   Humility
   Unity of the Spirit
2. A walk by grace (4:7-16)
   Gifts to each one
   Gifts to the Church
3. A holy walk (4:17-32)
   Put off the old man and put on the new man
   True Righteous and Holiness
A Worthy Walk – Ephesians 4:1-6

What is “worthy of the calling to which you were called”?  
- The hope of His calling – (1:4, 18)  
- Filled with the fullness of God (4:19)  

Humility (4:1-3)  
- Prisoner in the Lord  
- No reputation  
  - Lowliness  
  - Gentleness  
  - Longsuffering  
  - Bearing with one another in love  
- The unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace

The Unity of Salvation (4:4-6)  
- One body  
- One Spirit  
- One hope of your calling  
- One Lord  
- One faith  
- One baptism  
- One God and Father of us all

Adorning the work of salvation – Titus 2:9-10
Gifts to each one (4:7-10)

According to the measure of Christ’s gift
An illustration – the Victor (Psalm 68:18)
Purpose of these gifts – the worthy walk

Gifts to the Church (4:11-16)

The gifts – offices in the Church
  – Apostles
  – Prophets
  – Evangelists
  – Pastor/teachers
Purpose of these gifts – the worthy walk
  – Equipping the saints for the work of the ministry
  – Edification of the body of Christ
Outcome of the gifts
  – Unity of the faith
  – Knowledge of the Son of God
  – Perfect man
  – Stability
  – Speaking the truth in love
  – Growth of the Body
A Holy Walk – Ephesians 4:17-32

An un-holy walk (4:17-19)

Futility of mind
  – Darkened understanding
  – Alienated from the life of God
  – Ignorance within
  – Hardness of heart

The unworthy walk
  – Lewdness and uncleanness
  – Driven by covetousness

The holy walk (4:20-24)

Taught
Renewed
  – An event – the new birth (Titus 3:5)
  – A process – sanctification (Rom. 12:2)

A life of the righteousness and holiness of the truth.

Specific instructions (4:25-31)

Speaking the truth
Control of anger
Honest work
Speech that edifies
Not grieve the Holy Spirit
A behavior of love toward one another
Christian Duty

A worthy walk
  ▶ Humility
  ▶ The unity of salvation

A walk by grace
  ▶ The gifts of Christ
  ▶ The gifted Church

A holy walk
  ▶ Knowledge of the Truth
  ▶ Serving the Body of Christ