



### Ephesians 1:1-11

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

- 1 Since God chose Paul as a messenger and ambassador of Jesus Christ, is it possible that God has chosen you and me as well?
- 2 I have been blessed already with every spiritual blessing there is in all the heavenly realms because of my relationship with Christ Jesus. Praise Him!
- 3 I see the cure for depression and low self-esteem. Before God created the world, He loved me. And He chose me BEFORE I was born.

**NOW WHAT** will I do?

- 1 will strive to live holy and be faithful to God, and my family, for this pleases the Heavenly Father!
- 2 I will express all my gratitude for the gifts of grace and peace given to me by God through the Lord Jesus Christ!

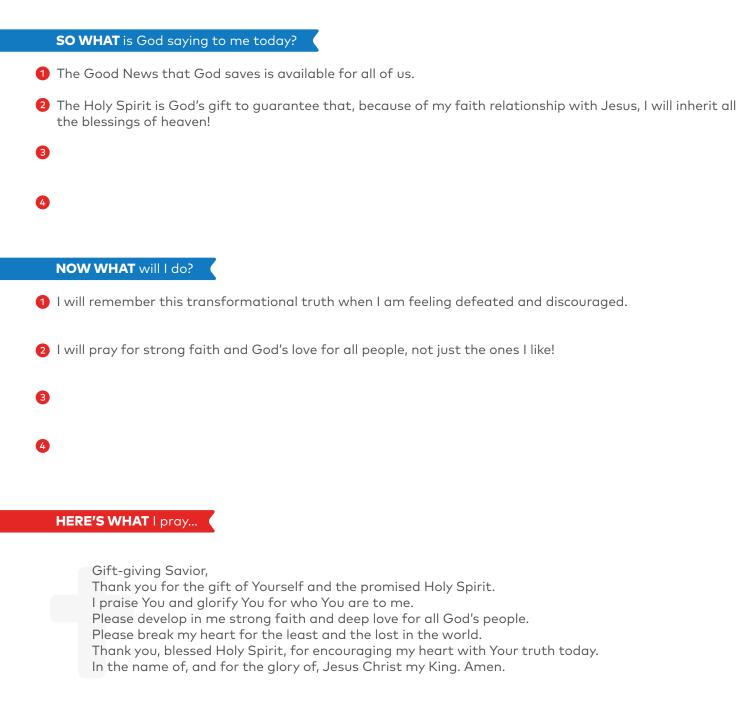
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#### HERE'S WHAT | pray...

Life-giving, sin-forgiving Lord Jesus-I love You, not for what I get from You but simply because of who You are. I revel in the blessing of your grace and peace being poured out all over me! Holy Spirit, may my message always be one of encouragement. May it elevate the love of God for mankind. May it inspire the discouraged and lift the depressed so that we may all walk in joy and power, knowing that BEFORE THE EARTH WAS... we were loved by God! In the name of Jesus I pray. Amen.

# Ephesians 1:12-23



## Ephesians 2:1-10

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

1 Once. Not twice. Once, I was spiritually dead because of my disobedience and sin. BUT GOD changed all that by His great mercy and love when He GAVE me life in Jesus Christ. So... though I WAS dead, I am now very much alive in Jesus Christ!

It is only by God's grace that I have been saved. It is His work in us and for us. Nothing more, nothing less. If I had even the smallest part in my salvation, I would boast about it. So, be grateful and tell others about God's amazing grace!

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#### NOW WHAT will I do?

- 1 I will share my story with as many as possible, because...
  - I was... but God!
  - I used to be... but God!
  - I previously lived... but God!
- 2 I will, therefore, with deepest gratitude, adore my Savior for saving me by His great mercy and unconditional love.



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#### HERE'S WHAT | pray...

Merciful, Loving Savior,

Thank you for Your grace that was poured out on me.

Because of You, my life has meaning, purpose, and satisfaction.

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Once dead spiritually, I am now, because of Jesus, very much alive.

Thank you for Your saving grace.

Allow me the privilege of broadcasting this good news to all the world. Please, Lord. In the name of Jesus I pray. Amen.

# Ephesians 2:11-22

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

- **1** Jesus Christ profoundly improves, transforms, and satisfies my life, and yours.
- 2 If "living without God and without hope in this world" describes you... choose Jesus now!
- 3 The blood of Christ is the most valuable commodity in the world because it accomplishes what money, power, and fame never will.

#### **NOW WHAT** will I do?

- 1 I will focus my time, energy, and strength on the only thing that really matters: my intimate relationship with Jesus.
- 2 Knowing that much of the world lives without God and therefore without hope, I will seek opportunities to offer the hope of the Gospel to all who will receive it!

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HERE'S WHAT | pray...

Forgiving God, Thank you for changing my life so dramatically. You give me hope, life, and forgiveness found in no one else. I praise You, Lord Jesus. In Your name I pray. Amen.

### Ephesians 3:1-13

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

1 I have access to God through FAITH in Christ Jesus! Prison can't separate me, politics can't rob me, isolation can't silence me, chains can't hold me. The purpose of suffering is so that we can be comforted and be a comfort to others who suffer.

#### NOW WHAT will I do?

- 1 will seek the Lord throughout my lifetime to discover the richness and value of God's grace in my life!
- 2 I will live confident today because of my relationship by faith with Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior.
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#### HERE'S WHAT | pray...

God of heaven and earth, There is no one like You. You alone deserve all of my praise! My heart longs to reflect You today. May I walk in humility. In the name of Jesus I pray. Amen.

### Ephesians 3:14-21

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

1 Tribulation, difficulties, and challenges drive us to our knees in prayer, dependence, and humility. This is what God wants from me! Do not run from it.

2 God's love for us is magnificent yet incomprehensible. What a gift! His love, like His power, works inside of us.

#### NOW WHAT will I do?

- 1 I will use life's pain, stress, and difficulties to drive me to my knees and into the Lord's presence! Welcome it. Embrace the benefit of His presence and peace.
- **2** I will savor with expectancy the power and awe of the Holy Spirit in my life.

#### HERE'S WHAT | pray...

God of wonder, wisdom, and grace, Thank you for choosing me to be Yours. Thank you for adopting me into Your family. Thank you for working in me! I pray that I could live in a way that displays visibly Your presence and blessing in my life. In the name of Jesus I pray. Amen.

### Ephesians 4:1-16

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

- 1 I must live and act in a way worthy or desirable of a follower of Jesus. I seek to live this way not because I am trying to earn His favor, but because I am grateful for all He has done for me.
- 2 As a follower of Jesus, I must pursue His character. Throughout the Scriptures, Jesus models for me how to be humble, gentle, and patient with each other. Why? Because He is this way with me.

#### NOW WHAT will I do?

- 1 I will live a life pursuing Jesus in a manner that pleases Him! How? By living with an attitude of humility, not pride, developing kindness in my speech and actions, and being patient towards others.
- 2 I will discover and use my spiritual gifts for the purpose of exalting God, edifying people, and evangelizing spiritually lost people.

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#### HERE'S WHAT | pray...

Precious Jesus, I love You today, not because of what You do for me, but because of who You are! I not only want to please, honor, and obey You, I want to be filled with the Holy Spirit. I want to use effectively the gifts and abilities You have given me for the purpose of equipping the Body of Christ to do good works for You! I pray this in the name of my Savior, who gave His life for me. In Your name I pray. Amen.

### Ephesians 4:17-32

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

- 1 My thoughts and attitudes about God, life, and others must be constantly changing for the better! The more I become like Jesus, the more gracious, kind, and loving I will be towards others.
- 2 This is solid counsel for satisfied living! Stop being mean, bad-tempered, and angry. Quarreling, harsh words, and dislike of others should have no place in my life. Instead, I will be kind to others, compassionate and forgiving just as God has forgiven me.

#### **NOW WHAT** will I do?

1 I must stay in the Word of God. Why? Because only God's Word feeds my spiritual life. Only God's Word encourages my mind and lifts my attitude. The goal of my life is not popularity, but pursuit of Jesus. My life must be different, better, and stronger this year than it was last year!

#### HERE'S WHAT | pray...

Father God,

I confess and repent of the anger in my heart.

Anger for not having a father to raise me.

Anger for not having the perfect childhood.

Anger for the burden, pain, and cost of ministry at times.

From this moment on, Holy Spirit, I beg You to replace my anger with joy for what I have and for who I am.

I pray for contentment with my life, my story, and my ministry.

I pray in the name of Jesus, my Forgiver and my Savior. Amen.

### Ephesians 5:1-16

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

- 1 Just as children imitate their parents, I must imitate Jesus in all I do! It makes sense for me to follow the One who forgives, saves, and loves me!
- 2 A greedy person loves and worships the temporal things of life more than he loves the eternal things of God! Don't allow our culture to desensitize you.
- 3 With time and experience, I learn what pleases the Lord. When I discover it, do it!



- NOW WHAT will I do?
- 1 I will imitate Jesus in all I do! I will start by praying for love for the people who have hurt me.
- 2 I will seek to discover what pleases the Lord from the Word of God. When I discover it, I will do it! I understand this is a process. Be patient.

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#### HERE'S WHAT | pray...

Dearest Savior of my soul, Master of my life, I yield myself to You today. As I fast from food, my focus is You. I want more of You, Jesus. More strength. More faith. More time with You. Please enable me to be a disciple who is making disciples! I commit to following You like never before! In the name of Jesus I pray. Amen.

### Ephesians 5:17-33

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

- 1 Men, love your wives. Women, respect your husbands. To understand how this is successfully accomplished, apply God's Word!
- 2 For me, the best marriage secret in the world is preferring my spouse as better than myself. Another translation says "in humility, value others above yourself."

#### NOW WHAT will I do?

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- 1 I will make loving my wife my highest priority next to loving my Savior. My love for her must be visible. It must be demonstrated, not simply heard.
- 2 I will live my life and my marriage in humility, valuing others above myself.

#### HERE'S WHAT | pray...

Mighty God, Fill me anew today with the Holy Spirit. Open my eyes, my mind, and my heart to You and to my wife. Fill me with holiness and humility. May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable to You. In the name of Jesus I pray. Amen.

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# Ephesians 6:1-12

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

- 1 Instruction given to children and fathers will benefit and bless all who obey it.
- 2 Use every weapon God has given me the Word of God, prayer, and the Armor of God so that I will be able to stand strong against the devil and his strategies.

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#### NOW WHAT will I do?

- 1 As a follower of Jesus, learning, obeying, and applying His Word to my life will reap benefits.
- 2 I will be in the presence of Jesus daily to feed upon His Word, be empowered by His presence, and grow in the knowledge of His grace. WHY? Because HIS power is required to stand strong against the devil.

HERE'S WHAT | pray...

Heavenly Father, Your Word gives instruction to us all. Thank you. My prayer is that my obedience to You would be exemplary. I pray that when others observe me, they would want what You are doing in me. In the gracious name of Jesus I pray. Amen.

### Ephesians 6:13-24

#### **SO WHAT** is God saying to me today?

- 1 Prepare now for tomorrow's battles. Tap into the Lord's power. Put on my spiritual armor so that I will be capable of withstanding the evil one's attacks.
- 2 Be a dependable servant of the Lord Jesus. Never forget that I live, serve, and exist only by His grace.

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#### NOW WHAT will I do?

- **1** By faith, and through prayer, I will tap into the Holy Spirit's power to stand against the influence of the evil one in my life.
- 2 I will pray for faithfulness and dependability like Tychicus and all those who have gone before me.

#### HERE'S WHAT | pray...

Blessed Holy Spirit, I yield myself to You alone today. I need You to put passion in my bones, steel in my resolve, and power in my commitment to live holy and pure before You. Please enable me to be faithful and dependable to You all the days of my life! In the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.