

EPHESIANS

“From One Sent to Those Set Apart” (1:1-2) – Discussion Questions

Questions about the sermon? How did the Lord encourage you from this text this morning? How did the Lord challenge you from this text? Thoughts you'd like to share?

Background about the Epistle of Ephesians:

1. “Apostle.” Paul was a true apostle, one commissioned by Christ. What modern day false teachers have you seen or heard of? How did you know they were false teachers? What were they like? What did they teach?
2. We talked about knowing the basics about God & the Word if we are to discern the difference between true teachers & false teachers? What basics about God & his Word should we know at the very least? What else would be important to add to our knowledge?
3. Why does Paul state that he is an *apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God*? Why was this important to emphasize?
4. “Saints” refers to those set apart positionally by the work of Christ & our faith in him for salvation. It implies that those set apart positionally will be acting *saintly* or practically living out their position. What if a person grew up in the church and has not experienced a dramatic conversion—how can he know that he's saved?
5. Why is it important to know that every Christian is a saint? What implications does this have? What is the importance of being “in Christ?”
6. Why is God's grace foundational to salvation & the Christian life?