

Second Reading of Biblical Book



True North

Chapter Title

& BASIC CONTENT

Initial Observations

FROM YOUR FIRST READING OF THE BOOK

- belief
- Chapter 1: **Count Your Blessings**
 - introduction of audience
 - blessings in Christ
 - obtained inheritance
 - Chapter 2: **Our Unity In Christ**
 - been saved by grace, through faith
 - now fellow citizens with saints & members of God's household.
 - Chapter 3: **Let Christ's Roots Grow**
 - Christ dwelling in the hearts through faith
 - the mystery of the gospel revealed
- responsibilities
- Chapter 4: **Maintain Unity**
 - the unity of the body of Christ
 - give no opportunity to the devil
 - let the thief no longer steal but labor
 - Chapter 5: **Be Imitators of God**
 - be imitators of God (walk in love)
 - relationship between wives & husbands
 - walk as children of light
 - Chapter 6: **Suit Up**
 - honoring parents /not provoking
 - put on the full armor of God
 - love the Lord with love incorruptible
 - Chapter 7:
 - Chapter 8:

- About original author:
- Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus (1:1)
- AD 33/34 → Conversion of Paul
 - AD 52-57 → Paul's 3rd missionary journey
 - AD 62 → Paul arrested, writes Ephesians

About original audience:

- to the churches in Ephesus
- Ephesus → one of the largest cities in Rome / Roman Empire
- written to "the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful in Christ Jesus." (1:1)

About original time/place of writing:

- written around AD 62
- written while Paul was in Prison in Rome
- Ephesians was delivered by Tychicus

About historical situation:

Paul is offering general instructions in the truths of God's redemptive work in Christ.

↳ includes the proper conduct in the church, the home, and in the world.

Additional Notes (including recurring themes/words/phrases)

Themes:

- 1) Unity of all things (1:10; 1:23; 2:10-22; 3:1-21; 4:1-6)
- 2) God's plan and how God predestined His people to redemption and holiness in Christ (1:3-14; 2:4-14)