

EPHESIANS SESSION 3 – BUT GOD...BY GRACE

Ephesians 2:1-10 (NASB) *Made Alive in Christ*

¹And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, ²in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. ³Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), ⁶and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; ⁹not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

1. Past Predicament (2:1-3):

- a) Putting the past behind you;
- b) Dead to God;
- c) Dead man walking;
- d) Children of wrath.

2. Present Position (2:4-9):

- a) But God;
- b) What God has done;
- c) Why God has done it.

3. Prepared Plans (2:10):

- a) God's Poem;
- b) Created for good works;
- c) Walking again.