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### **DASV: Ephesians 1**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,

to the saints that are at Ephesus, and the faithful in Christ Jesus.

<sup>2</sup> Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup> Blessed is the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.

<sup>4</sup> For he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blemish before him in love.

<sup>5</sup> He decided ahead of time to adopt us as his sons through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will,

<sup>6</sup> to the praise of the glory of his grace, which he freely granted to us in the Beloved.

<sup>7</sup> In him we have our redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,

<sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us along with all wisdom and prudence.

<sup>9</sup> He did this when he made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he set forth in Christ,

 $^{10}$  as a plan for the fullness of the time, to unite all things in Christ, everything in heaven and on earth.

<sup>11</sup> In him also we obtained an inheritance, being chosen beforehand according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will.

<sup>12</sup> To the end that we who had before hoped in Christ, should live for the praise of his glory.

<sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you heard the word of the truth, the gospel of your salvation, also believed. You were marked with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup> who is the down payment of our inheritance, until our redemption, as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

<sup>15</sup> For this reason, I also, having heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints,

<sup>16</sup> do not cease to give thanks for you, praying for you continually.

<sup>17</sup> I ask that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him.

<sup>18</sup> I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, that you may know the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

<sup>19</sup> and what is the incomparable greatness of his power toward us who believe. This working of his tremendous strength <sup>20</sup> which he exercised in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and made him to sit at his right hand in the heavenly places,

<sup>21</sup> far above every ruler and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in the one to come.

<sup>22</sup> He put all things in subjection under his feet, and gave him to be head over all things to the church,

 $^{23}$  which is his body, the fullness of him that fills all in all.

<sup>1</sup> You were dead through your transgressions and sins,

 $^{2}$  in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now works in the sons of disobedience,

<sup>3</sup> among whom we also all once lived in the passion of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and mind, and were by nature children under God's wrath, just like the rest.

<sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of his great love by which he loved us,

<sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ--by grace you have been saved.

<sup>6</sup> He raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavenly places, in Christ Jesus,

<sup>7</sup> that in the ages to come he might display the exceeding riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God,

<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast.

<sup>10</sup> For we are his work of art, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared in advance that we should walk in them.

<sup>11</sup> For that reason remember, that once you Gentiles in the flesh, who are called "Uncircumcised" by those who are called "Circumcision," in the flesh, made by human hands,

<sup>12</sup> were at that time without Christ, alienated from the citzenship of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

<sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off are brought near by the blood of Christ.

<sup>14</sup> For he is our peace, who made both groups into one, and broke down the dividing wall of hostility,

<sup>15</sup> having abolished in his flesh, the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself from the two one new man, thus making peace,

<sup>16</sup> to reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, having thereby slain the hostility.

<sup>17</sup> He came and preached peace to you who were far off, and peace to those who were near,

<sup>18</sup> for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

<sup>19</sup> So then you are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and members of the household of God.

<sup>20</sup> You are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the chief cornerstone.

<sup>21</sup> In whom the whole building is joined together becoming a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup> In whom also you are built together into a dwelling of God by the Spirit.

<sup>1</sup> For this reason I, Paul, am a prisoner of Christ Jesus in behalf of you Gentiles, --<sup>2</sup> assuming that you have heard of the special commission of God's grace that was given to me for you;

how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote before briefly.

<sup>4</sup> When you read this, you will gain understanding into the mystery of Christ.

<sup>5</sup> It was not made known in other generations to human beings, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit.

<sup>6</sup> This mystery, is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

<sup>7</sup> I was made a minister of this gospel, according to the gift of God's grace which was given me according to the working of his power.

<sup>8</sup> To me, who is less than the least of all saints, was this grace given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ,

<sup>9</sup> and to make everyone see the plan of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God who created all things.

<sup>10</sup> The intent was that now it might be made known through the church the manifold wisdom of God to rulers and powers in the heavenly places.

<sup>11</sup> This was according to the eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord,

<sup>12</sup> in whom we have boldness and confident access through our faith in him.

<sup>13</sup> Therefore I ask that you may not lose heart at my sufferings for you, which are your glory.

<sup>14</sup> For this cause I kneel before the Father,

<sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

<sup>16</sup> I pray he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, that you may be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inward man,

<sup>17</sup> that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, so that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

may be strong to comprehend with all the saints what the breadth and length and height and depth is,

<sup>19</sup> and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

<sup>20</sup> Now unto him that is able to do vastly more than all we can ask or think, according to the power that works in us,

<sup>21</sup> to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>1</sup> I, therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, implore you to walk worthily of the calling you have received,

 $\frac{1}{2}$  with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love.

 $\frac{3}{4}$  Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

<sup>4</sup> There is one body, and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling,

<sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

<sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in all.

<sup>7</sup> But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

<sup>8</sup> This is why it says, "When he ascended on high, he led a crowd of captives, and gave gifts to men."

<sup>9</sup> Note how it said this: "He ascended." What does it mean except he also descended into the lower parts of the earth?

<sup>10</sup> He who descended is the same also who ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.

<sup>11</sup> He gave some to be apostles, and some to be prophets, and some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers,

<sup>12</sup> for the equipping of the saints, for the work of service, to build up the body of Christ,

<sup>13</sup> until we all attain the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a mature person measuring up to the stature of the fullness of Christ,

<sup>14</sup> so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the human trickery, in craftiness, after their deceitful scams.

<sup>15</sup> But speaking truth in love, we will grow up in all things into him, who is the head, even Christ.

<sup>16</sup> From him all the body, perfectly joined and held together by every joint with each one doing its part, making the body grow as it builds itself up in love.

<sup>17</sup> So I say this, and insist in the Lord, that you no longer walk as the Gentiles, in the futility of their mind.

<sup>18</sup> They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardening of their heart.
<sup>19</sup> They are callous giving themselves up to sensuality, to do every kind of

uncleanness with greediness.

<sup>20</sup> This is not the way you learned about Christ,

<sup>21</sup> assuming that you heard about him, and were taught in him, just as truth is in Jesus.

<sup>22</sup> Put away, your former manner of life, the old self, which grew in corruption and deception by its lusts.

<sup>23</sup> Be renewed in the spirit of your mind.

<sup>24</sup> Put on the new self, which was created in God's image in true righteousness and holiness.

<sup>25</sup> Therefore, putting away falsehood, tell the truth to your neighbor, for we are members one of another.

<sup>26</sup> Be angry yet do not sin. Do not let the sun go down on your wrath.

<sup>27</sup> Do not give an opportunity to the devil.

<sup>28</sup> Let those who stole steal no more, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands so that he may have something to give to the one who has need.

<sup>29</sup> Let no corrupt speech come out of your mouth, but only what is good for building up the one in need, that it may give grace to those who hear.

<sup>30</sup> Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, in whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

<sup>31</sup> Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, quarreling, and slander, be put away from you, along with all malice.

<sup>32</sup> Instead be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving each other, just as God also forgave you in Christ.

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children,

<sup>2</sup> and walk in love, just as Christ also loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

<sup>3</sup> But let there be no sexual immorality, impurity, or greed among you, as these are not appropriate for saints.

<sup>4</sup> Neither should there be any foolish talk or crude jesting, which are not proper but rather giving thanks.

<sup>5</sup> Be sure of this, that no one who is sexually immoral, or impure, or greedy--who is an idolater--has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

<sup>6</sup> Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.

<sup>7</sup> Therefore do not participate with them.

<sup>8</sup> For you were once darkness, but are now light in the Lord. Walk as children of light--

<sup>9</sup> for the fruit of the light is found in all goodness, righteousness and truth.

<sup>10</sup> Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord.

<sup>11</sup> Have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them.

<sup>12</sup> For the things which they do in secret are shameful even to speak of.

<sup>13</sup> But all things when they are exposed by the light, are made visible.

<sup>14</sup> Therefore it is said, "Awake, you who are sleeping, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

<sup>15</sup> Look, be careful how you walk, not as unwise, but as wise.

<sup>16</sup> Make the most of the time, because the days are evil.

<sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

<sup>18</sup> Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit,

<sup>19</sup> speaking to one another in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making music in your heart to the Lord,

<sup>20</sup> always giving thanks to God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

<sup>21</sup> submitting yourselves to each other out of reverence for Christ.

<sup>22</sup> Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.

 $^{23}$  For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ is also the head of the church. He himself is the savior of the body.

<sup>24</sup> As the church submits to Christ, so let wives also submit to their husbands in everything.

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church, and gave himself up for it,

<sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify it, having cleansed it by the washing of water by the word,

<sup>27</sup> that he might present the church to himself as glorious, not having a stain, wrinkle or any blemish, but that it should be holy and without blame.

<sup>28</sup> Even so husbands also ought to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself.

<sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but feeds and takes care of it, even as Christ also does for the church,

<sup>30</sup> because we are members of his body.

<sup>31</sup> For this reason a man will leave his father and mother, and will be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.

 $^{32}$  This is a great mystery, but I am talking about Christ and the church.

<sup>33</sup> Nevertheless, each one of you should love his wife as himself, and let the wife respect her husband.

<sup>1</sup> Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

<sup>2</sup> "Honor your father and mother"--which is the first commandment with promise--

<sup>3</sup> "that it may be well with you, and you may live long on the earth."

<sup>4</sup> Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

<sup>5</sup> Servants, obey your human masters, with fear and trembling, with sincerity of heart, as you would serve Christ.

<sup>6</sup> Not just when they are looking, as people pleasers, but as servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart.

<sup>7</sup> Do your service enthusiastically, as to the Lord, and not just to humans.

<sup>8</sup> You know that whatever good each one does, he will receive in return the same from the Lord, whether he is a slave or free.

<sup>9</sup> Masters, do the same for your servants. Stop threatening, knowing that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no favoritism with him.

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in his mighty strength.

<sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

<sup>12</sup> For our fight is not against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against powers, against rulers of this darkness, against spiritual powers of wickedness in the heavenly places.

<sup>13</sup> Therefore take up the full armor of God, that you may be able to stand your ground in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

<sup>14</sup> Stand therefore, having the belt of truth around your waist, putting on the breastplate of righteousness,

<sup>15</sup> and having shoes on your feet with the preparation of the good news of peace.

<sup>16</sup> In addition, pick up the shield of faith, by which you will be able to extinguish all the fiery arrows of the evil one.

<sup>17</sup> Take also the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

<sup>18</sup> With every prayer and supplication, pray at all times in the Spirit, and be alert with all perseverance and requests for all the saints.
<sup>19</sup> Pray on my behalf, that a message may be given to me when I open my mouth, that I

<sup>19</sup> Pray on my behalf, that a message may be given to me when I open my mouth, that I may make known with confidence the mystery of the gospel,

<sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

<sup>21</sup> Tychicus, the beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, will tell you everything so that you may know how I am doing.

 $^{22}$  I sent him to you for this very reason, that you may know our situation, and that he may encourage your hearts.

<sup>23</sup> Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup> Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ with undying love.