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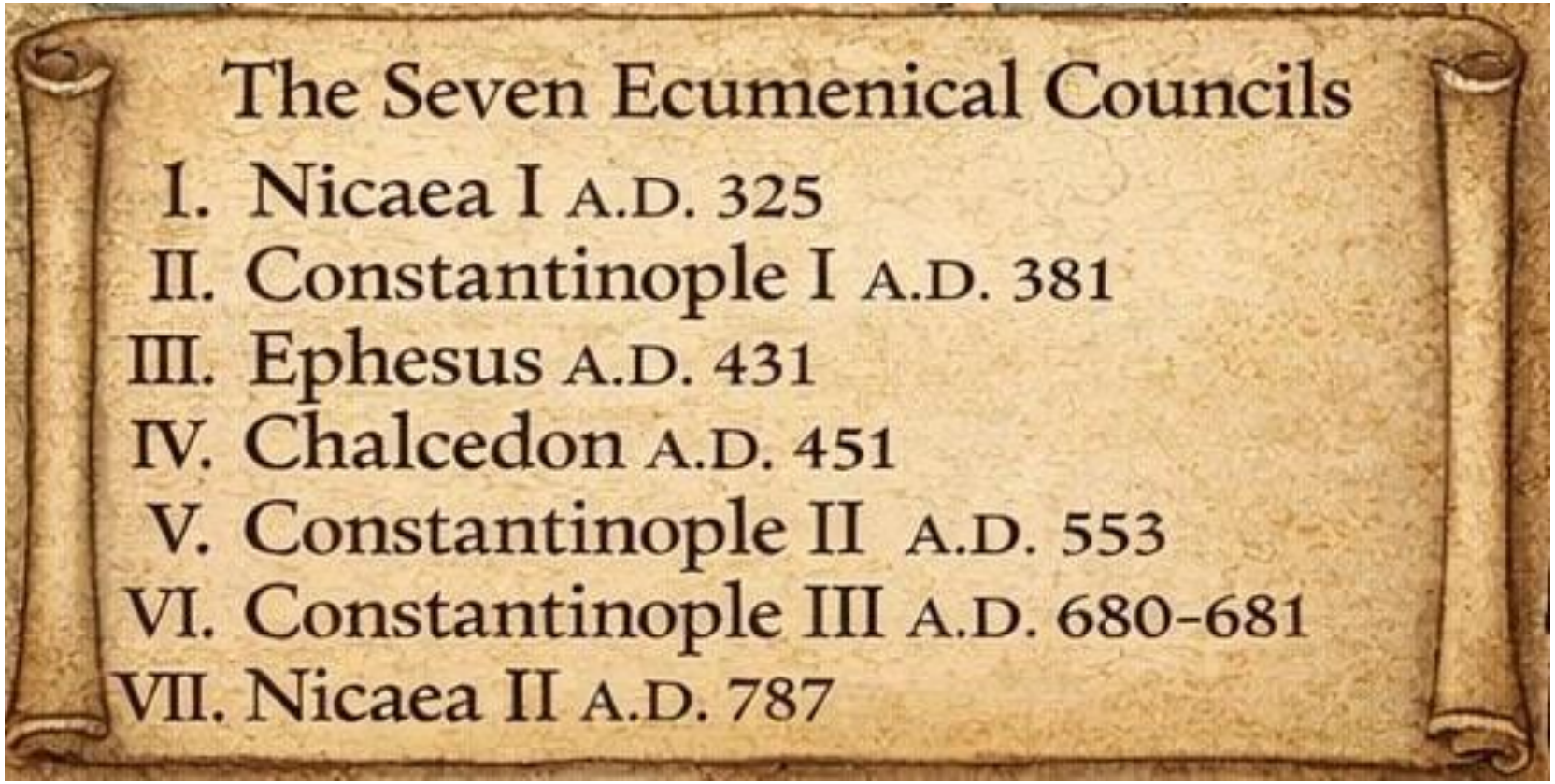
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An Introduction to Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians


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Paul visited Ephesus on his second and third mission trips.
He wrote the letter to the Ephesians while in prison somewhere.
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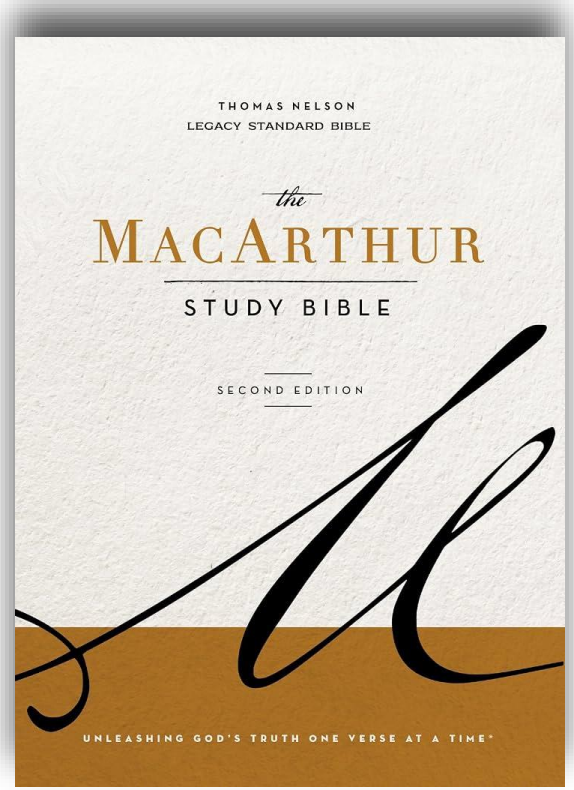




Theotokos ("mother of God")

Remember, Dutch brothers and sisters, you were born spiritually dead in sin, unable to seek God, on your way to hell, and without hope, but God, because of His love, He chose to have mercy on you by choosing you from eternity past to make you spiritually alive through the preaching of the Gospel so that you would grow in holiness, which you are able to do through being spiritually united with Christ, adopted into the family of God, being one body (Jew and Gentile) in the Church, sealed by the Spirit, granted spiritual gifts, and equipped with the armor of God, all for the honor, glory, and blessing of God.

With this grand picture, your salvation, sanctification (the process where you become more like Jesus), and glorification are ALL a gift of grace and mercy that you did not deserve, and that you could not achieve, THEREFORE, bless God by living a life of holiness in THANKFULNESS for what God has done for you.



"Perhaps, above all, this is a letter of encouragement and admonition, written to remind believers of their immeasurable blessings in Jesus Christ" (*MacArthur Study Bible*).

1 Corithians 12:13, “For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.”

Romans 9:10–12, “[10] when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, [11] though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God’s purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls— [12] she was told, ‘The older will serve the younger.’ [13] As it is written, ‘Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.’”

Deuteronomy 7:6–8, “[6] For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. [7] It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, [8] but it is because the LORD loves you . . . .”

Total Depravity

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Noetic Effects of Sin

Jeremiah 17:9, “The heart is more deceitful than all else and is desperately sick; who can understand it?”

Romans 3:10–12, “[10] ‘THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS,
NOT EVEN ONE; [11] THERE IS NONE WHO
UNDERSTANDS, THERE IS NONE WHO SEEKS FOR
GOD; [12] ALL HAVE TURNED ASIDE, TOGETHER
THEY HAVE BECOME USELESS; THERE IS NONE
WHO DOES GOOD, THERE IS NOT EVEN ONE.’”

1 Corinthians 2:14, “The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned” (cf. Romans 8:6–8).

John 6:44, “No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.”

Every intent of the thoughts of the heart is evil continually, the heart is deceitful more than anything else and is desperately sick, the Gospel is veiled, Satan blinds the mind, the mind is futile, the understanding is darkened, they are excluded from the life of God, ignorance is in them, they are fools, have hard hearts, are callous, their minds and consciences are defiled, they despise wisdom and instruction, hate knowledge, their ways are right in their own eyes, they revel in their own minds, trust in their own heart, the cross is foolishness and a stumbling block to them, their "wisdom" is foolishness, their reasoning is useless, they cannot come to God apart from His drawing . . .

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. . . none seek God, none do good, they do not fear God, their minds are set on the flesh, their minds are hostile towards God, are unable to subject themselves to the Word of God, they cannot please God, are enemies of God, cannot understand the things of God, hate the light and love darkness, suppress the truth in unrighteousness, are futile in their speculations, their foolish hearts are darkened, they exchange the truth of God for a lie, have depraved minds, are filled with unrighteousness, and are alienated from God.

John 1:12–13, “12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

Acts 16:14, “One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul.”

Acts 13:48, “And when the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord, and as many as were appointed to eternal life believed.

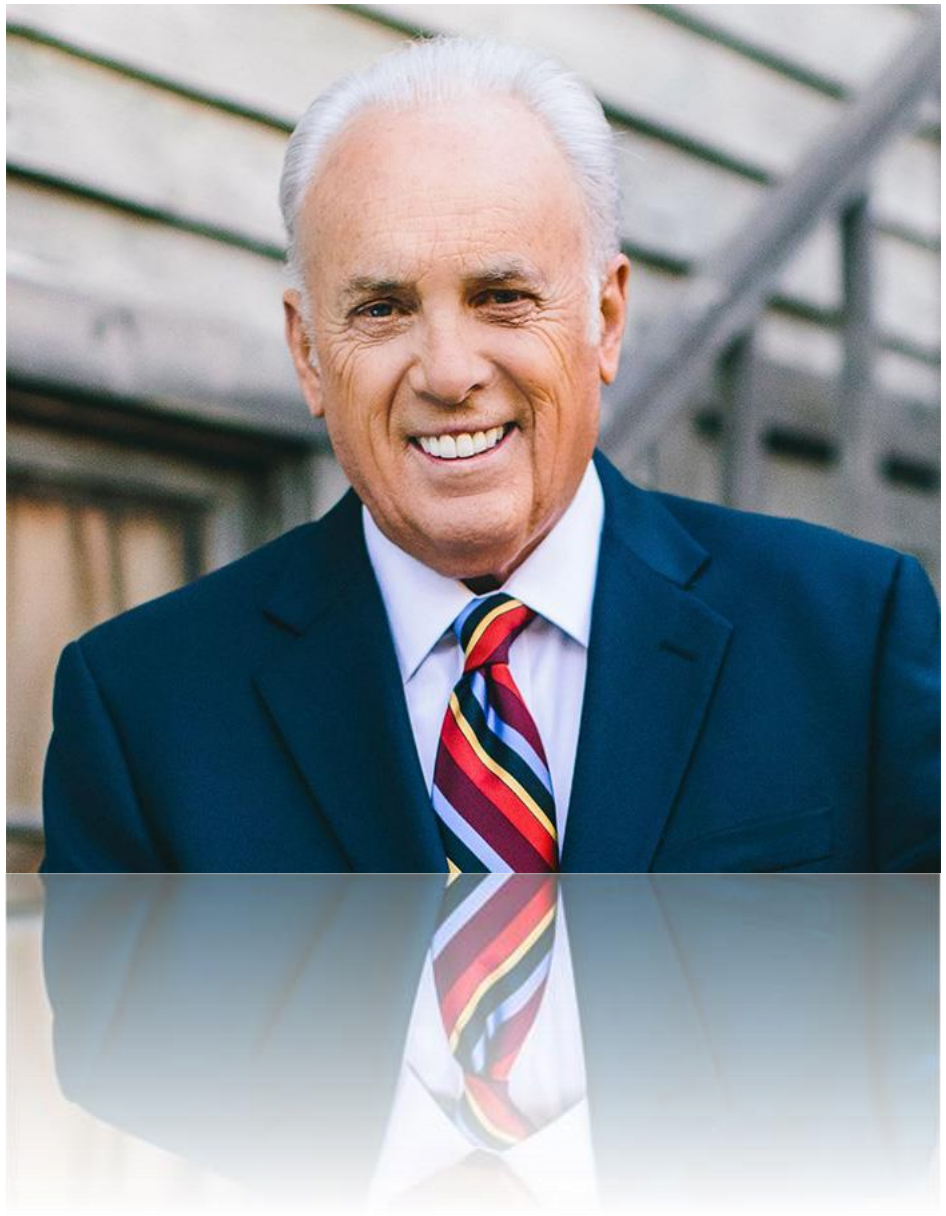
Genesis 12:1–3, “[1] Now the LORD said to Abram, ‘Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. [2] And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. [3] I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.’”

Galatians 3:28, “There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.”

The Put Off/Put On Principle

Philippians 4:8, “Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.”

John MacArthur:
"*being filled* ('be being kept filled') involves day-by-day, moment-by-moment submission to the Spirit's control"



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