

## EPHESIANS

### FINAL EXAM

1. What are the 2 major themes of the book of Ephesians according to RP Martin?
2. What is Election (predestination) and what is the great mystery therein?
3. What must take place within our hearts before we can be reconciled to one another?
4. What is The Church and what is her function?
5. What is the one place where Truth and Grace meet?
6. What is the Mystery of God that permeates the whole book of Ephesians?
7. What is really the truth of our being in Christ in the context of time and space?
8. What is Perspicacity? From whence does it come and what is its function in our lives?
9. What is the first "reflection" of the Trinity, and what is the relationship between this seminal creation of God, Truth, and Wisdom?
10. What is the great cascade of Holy Spirit operation in creating a holy child of God from a hopeless, corrupted sinner and how can this possibly take place?
11. What is a renewed mind and how is it manifested?
12. As a soldier in the spiritual battle that enfolds us every day between the Kingdom of God and the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places what is the only part of the body that is not supplied with spiritual armor and why is this so?

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### ANSWERS

1. "The letter dwells profoundly upon The Person of Jesus Christ and The Church."
2. Election is the sovereign outworking of God's power to effect that which is pleasing to Him in accordance with His righteous and holy will in the regards to the salvation of people.  
The great mystery of Election is that we do not know what it is in God's foreknowledge that determines His elective choice. In light of this great mystery, the believer's only suitable response to being chosen of God is humility, deepest thankfulness, and whole-hearted surrender to Him.
3. We must ourselves first be reconciled to God.
4. The Church is Christ's predestined, elected people drawn to Him by God the Father throughout the ages who, after repentance, receive the grace, truth and life that Christ embodies and then go forth in His strength to be used of God to manifest His manifold wisdom to the world, and in so doing advance His Kingdom.
5. Truth and Grace meet at the Cross of Jesus Christ. Only here is the truth of man's total depravity and separation from God fully revealed, and only at the Cross is God's unfathomable Grace poured out for redemption through the shed blood of Christ received by the repentant sinner for the forgiveness of his sin.
6. The great Mystery that permeates the entire book of Ephesians is that Christ is the Goal towards Whom all creation is moving, and God in Christ intends creation's final deliverance from corruption bringing its total restoration to His original design.
7. Time dissolves into eternity.  
Space dissolves into the infinity of the universe.  
The physical is dissolved into the spiritual.  
Your eternal soul, the God-breathed essence of your being, united with Christ, sharing His life, living the life eternal that He purchased for you with His blood, dwells in His Kingdom of Light in perfect fellowship with Him forever.
8. Perspicacity is the Spirit anointed capacity to see through the mists of deception and confusion that swirl within our world and thereby allowing the believer to discern spiritual truth and motive. It is received only through earnest prayer and allows the believer to navigate the path that God has laid out before him.

9. The “first reflection” of the Trinity is Light. Light allows us to discern Truth. Wisdom is born of the interplay of Light and Truth producing a life that celebrates the Essence of God impacting His creation thereby manifesting His Glory. Anything done with the Wisdom that the Holy Spirit provides us elevates Christ and brings glory to God.

10. The great cascade of Holy Spirit operation that transforms a hopeless, corrupted sinner into a holy child of God must begin with God choosing to reveal Himself to that one. Therefore :

Revelation → Conviction → Repentance → Forgiveness → Cleansing → Healing → Refreshment → Restoration → Holiness

At every step it is the centrality of Jesus Christ in the soul of the believer made possible by the power of the Holy Spirit that effects the change. This transforming operation is possible because Christ’s blood is infinitely pure and therefore infinitely powerful to forgive the sins of the repentant one and enable his sanctification unto holiness.

11. A renewed mind is literally the Mind of Christ. To have a renewed mind is to have the Mind of Christ within you directing your behavior. The behavioral expression of a renewed mind in the present moment and throughout your life is the manifestation of the agape love of Christ flowing through you, impacting everything and everyone you encounter on your road to Zion, reflecting the reality of Him within you, reigning in His fullness to the Glory of God.

12. The only part of the body that is not afforded spiritual armor is the back. In the sixth chapter of Ephesians we are exhorted to take on the whole armor of God and “withstand....stand...and stand therefore..” There is no provision made for God’s protection when in unbelief and faithlessness we run from the trials and conflicts that God has allowed into our lives that are crucial for our sanctification and for the advancement of His Kingdom and revelation of His Glory.