



Get with the Program

Being a Part of God's Great Plan for the Universe

Ephesians

Lionel Windsor

Saturday 20 May 2017

Latrobe Memorial Hall

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- 10:30** Talk 1 – Ephesians 1 & 2
We are part of God's great plan for the universe.
The gospel of salvation is our only hope for peace.
- 11:30** Morning Tea
- 12:00** Talk 2 – Ephesians 3 & 4
When things look discouraging, we should set our sights on God's great plans through the gospel.
- 1:00** Lunch
- 2:00** Talk 3 – Ephesians 5 & 6
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We are called to live our everyday life in the light of spiritual realities.

Welcome to the Rural Bible Network August Forum.

We hope you enjoy your time with us and find encouragement to live Christ centred lives through this ministry.

The Rural Bible Network works to bring top quality, faithful Bible teaching to rural Tasmania. Our aim is to bring nationally recognised Bible teachers from around Australia to our rural community. The Rural Bible Network continues to provide opportunities for us to enjoy opening God's Word with top Bible teachers.

Today we welcome Lionel Windsor to open Paul's letter to the faithful in Ephesus. Lionel is a New Testament specialist at Moore College, Sydney.

I trust that you will find today's Forum helpful as we focus on the Bible as God's Word and hear what God has to say to us today.

Chris Stafferton

Chairman, Rural Bible Network

Talk 1

Ephesians 1: We are part of God's great plan for the universe.

Getting on the Christian bus?

We are greatly blessed in Christ (verses 3–8, 15–19)

God's great plan is to unite all things in Christ (verses 9–10, 20–23)

God puts his great plan into operation through the gospel being preached to the nations (verses 11–14)

Ephesians 2: The gospel of salvation is our only hope for peace.

The desperate need for peace

The gospel is a message of salvation by grace through faith (verses 1–10)

The gospel of salvation brings peace (verses 11–22)

Talk 2

Ephesians 3: When things look discouraging, we should set our sights on God's great plans through the gospel.

What on earth is God doing?

God's plans through the gospel are far-reaching and multifaceted (verses 1–13)

The enormous dimensions of Christ's love call forth prayer and praise (verses 14–21)

Ephesians 4: We are called to “walk” in line with God's great plans for the universe.

The challenge of unity and diversity

Christ gives diverse gifts for the sake of gospel unity (verses 1–16)

Living the Christian life is all about speaking the truth in love (verses 16, 17–32)

Talk 3 – Titus 3

Ephesians 5: We are called to imitate Christ's loving sacrifice on the cross.

Christians and the world

We should live in the world as children of light (verses 1–21)

Christ's loving sacrifice transforms what marriage means (verses 22–33)

Ephesians 6: We are called to live our everyday life in the light of spiritual realities

What does it mean to be "spiritual"?

We must relate to earthly authority in the light of our heavenly Master (verses 1–9)

We must view our earthly struggles in the light of God's spiritual warfare (verses 10–20)

Additional Notes:

Rural Bible Network

Dates for 2017

August Forum:

Sat. 26 August

Dates for 2018

May Forum:

Sat. 20 May

August Forum:

Sat. 26 August

*Thank you to those who have helped with our catering needs to date.
We appreciate the fine food that has been donated in order to help keep our
costs to a minimum.*

*As the number of attendees has grown, we need more people to help.
If you are able to contribute one thing e.g. sandwiches, cakes or a slice, we
would love to hear from you.*

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The Rural Bible Network brings nationally recognised Bible teachers to the rural community.

"For whatever was written in the former days was written for our instruction that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope."
Romans 15.4