# The Church in Ephesians

Eph. 5:32

#### Introduction:

- A. Importance of Church in Ephesians.
  - 1. Six chapters, 6 ½ pages in my Bible.
  - 2. "Church", nine times.
  - 3. "Body", eight times.
  - 4. Other figures: household, temple, etc.
- B. Importance of Church seen in each of the six chapters.

#### Discussion:

### I. The Head Of The Church. – Chapter 1

- A. Jesus raised to be head. (vv. 19-23)
- B. Jesus on David's throne. (Acts 2:29-33).
- C. Jesus with all authority. (Matt. 28:18).

### II. The Foundation Of The Church. – Chapter 2

- A. Not law of Moses. (vv. 11-18).
- B. New Testament revelation. (vv. 19-22; 3:1-6)

### III. The Purpose Of The Church. – Chapter 3.

- A. To make known the manifold wisdom of God. (vv. 8-13).
  - 1. By its attributes.
  - 2. By its actions.
- B. To glorify God by Christ Jesus. (v. 21).

## IV. The Unity Of The Church. - Chapter 4.

- A. Unity based on walking worthy of calling. (v. 1).
- B. Unity of the Spirit. (v. 3, cf. 2:18).
- C. Unity based on oneness. (vv. 4-6).
- D. Unity of various parts. (vv. 7-16).

#### V. The Marriage Of The Church. – Chapter 5.

- A. Christ, the loving husband.
- B. Church, the glorious bride.

### VI. The Strength Of the Church. – Chapter 6.

- A. Not wealth, property, numbers.
- B. But whole armor of God. (14-18)

#### Conclusion:

A. What is your relationship to Christ and the Church?