

Ephesians 2:7-10

Ephesians 2:5 – “even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—”

1. Paul’s switch from “you” (referring to “you Gentiles” see 2:11) to “we” which is referring the “you” Gentiles and “we” Jews and Gentiles together. (This is not referring to you Ephesians along with me Paul.)
2. “made us alive” is one Greek word *synezoopoiesen*
 - a. Colossians 2:13 – “And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God **made alive together** (*synezōpoiēsen*) with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, (14) by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.”
 - i. 2:14 – “canceling” means “plaster”, “wash over”, “wipe off”, “wipe out”, “obliterate”. The Greek word meant to rub smooth which would result in the total removal of the previous state thus the blotting out of a written document or decree. It came to mean “to cancel” a writing or a seal impression left on a wax tablet. It can be used to refer to the canceling of obligations or entitlements, but also, the canceling of benefits.
3. Three words (verbs) begin with syn- in 2:5-6 that Paul uses to describe what God has done:
 - a. 2:5 – syn-ezoopoiesen – **“made alive us with”** –
 - i. *Syn* means “with” or “joined close-together” as in tight
 - ii. *Zoopoieo* means “make to live”
 - b. 2:6 – syn-egeiren – **“raised us up together”** –
 - i. *Eteiro* means “raise up”, “arouse”, “wake”
 - ii. Colossians 2:12
 - c. 2:6 – syn-ekathisen – **“seated us together”** –
 - i. *Kathizo* means “make to sit”, “appoint”, “set”
 - ii. This is expressing the idea of being enthroned with the Christ seated at the right hand of God.
 - iii. Ep. 1:20-21

Ephesians 2:6 – “and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,”

This reality of the three “syn-“ or “with” is both a coming future state, but also a NOW reality as is seen in Colossians 3:1-3 –

“If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.”

Ephesians 2:7 – “so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.”

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<p><i>en</i> (intensifies) + <i>deiknyo</i> ("show, prove, make fully evident")</p>		<p>hyper = "beyond, above" + ballon = "throw"</p>							
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1. The single purpose of God’s working salvation in our lives is given: to show the surpassing riches of his grace in kindness to us who are in Christ.
2. Salvation is God’s publicity program. God’s work revealed in history is God’s revelation of himself to all of the created world (spiritual and natural; this age and the next age):
 - a. Ephesians 3:10 – “so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.”
 - b. 1 Peter 1:12 – “It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.”
 - c. 1 Timothy 3:16 – “Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness: He was manifested in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory.”
 - d. 1 Corinthians 2:6-7- “Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory.”
 - e. Romans 11:30-12:1 –
 - f. Jude 25 – “to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before any age (or, all time) and now and forever. Amen.”
3. “he might show” is from **endeiknumi**, the prefix **en** “adds the dimension of an abiding condition making the ‘showing forth’ an open display for all to see because it is so obvious no one can miss seeing or miss understanding.”
 - a. *En* – intensifies the root word

- b. *Deiknyo* – means “to make fully evident by showing obvious proof with undeniable conclusion.
 - c. *Endeiknymi*, meaning “undeniable display”, always is used in the Greek middle voice which shows without a doubt that the action is done with a high level of personal interest by the one doing the action. So, here God is displaying his grace to those in Christ with eternal divine kindness for his own personal benefit. This benefit to God appears to be an undeniable demonstration of his own character that cannot be misunderstood.
4. “riches” – *ploutos* means “riches, wealth, abundance” of many kinds and is used of both material and spiritual wealth.

Ephesians 2:8 – “For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,”

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Ephesians 2:9 – “not a result of works, so that no one may boast.”

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not	out from	works	so that	not	anyone	might boast
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Ephesians 2:10 – “For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”

1. The ultimate purpose of salvation working in our lives is that we should produce good works.
 - a. Good works do not earn salvation
 - b. Salvation produces good works by us
 - c. Salvation comes in to us; Good works come out from us as a result.

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