

Men's Bible Study **Calvary Chapel** Cajon

Ephesians 2:1-10

PRAY; Read Ephesians 2:1-10

1. Read through this week's verses using both your Observation Worksheet and another Bible translation or paraphrase. What are the main subjects mentioned in these verses?

How would you title this section? Record your title on the **At a Glance Chart**.

2. At the right-hand side of the same chart are columns labeled **Key Word** and **Symbol**. They have been provided for you to record the key words and the symbol you have chosen to represent each one. Record the key words listed below and their symbols on the chart.

God, Jesus, made, were, and grace

Now, using the symbols you have chosen, mark each of the key words each time they are used in Ephesians 2:1-10. Remember, as you mark the words, *God* and *Jesus*, to mark any personal pronouns that refer to Them. You do not need to mark every word that refers to Them - only those that you feel are significant.

3. This portion of Scripture reveals to us many characteristics of God. From the verses below, record what they reveal about the attributes of our awesome God. We have completed the first one for you.

Verse 4 He is rich in mercy

Verse 4

Verse 7

Verse 7

4. Ephesians 2:1-6 are kind of like the "Great Before and After" because of how they portray the way we were before we knew God and the wonderful transformation after. Complete the columns below to highlight this great work of the Lord.

What We Were Like	Verse	What God Did	Verse
	1,5		1
	2		4,5
	3		6

5. Fill in your own personal chart by writing your own "Before and After".

I Was	I Am

6. According to the following verses, what should our response be to such a marvelous transformation?

Romans 12:1

1 Corinthians 6:20

1 Peter 2:9

7. God's remedy to our spiritual deadness is also recorded twice (verses 1 and 5). What has He done?

- a. Describe the new sensitivity you have to spiritual things now that your spirit has been *made alive*?

8. What are the two influences under which believers once *walked*? verse 2

9. We still live in bodies of flesh; we still have a mind. In what ways does having your spirit *made alive* change your attitude about the *desires of the flesh and the mind*?
 - a. How can we live in a body of flesh without fulfilling its desires? See Galatians 5:16.

10. Ephesians 2:4 begins with a word of contrast, a word that turns everything around. What is it?
 - a. Although we were *dead in our trespasses*, although we *walked according to the course of this world*, although we *walked according to the prince of the power of the air*, Who changed everything?
 - b. Why did He do it?

11. Read verse 5. When did God *make us alive*?
 - a. What does Romans 5:6,8 say about this?

12. Look again at the phrase in Ephesians 2:5 that begins with the words *made us alive*. What three words follow?
 - a. List two other things God has done for the believer. (verse 6)

 - b. Just as God has made Jesus alive from the dead, raised Him up and seated Him in the heavenly places, so He has done for the believer. Again, God's grace towards us should provoke a response from us. It is not just information for us to know, it is power to be applied. What does Colossians 3:1 exhort us to do?
 - 1.) What do you think this means in a practical sense?

13. According to Ephesians 2:8, by what means have you been saved?

Challenge: Define this *grace*.

a. What response is necessary on our part?

1.) What is saving *faith*?

2.) Read Romans 10:9. What are two important components in expressing saving *faith*?

a.) What is God's promised result?

14. Reading Ephesians 2:8 and 9, what two phrases tell us what we are *not* saved by?

a. What does being saved by *grace* prevent us from doing? (see the last part of verse 9)

1.) According to 1 Corinthians 1:31, what should believers *boast* or *glory* in?

15. What are we called in Ephesians 2:10?

a. Although we are not saved by good *works*, as God's *workmanship*, we have been created for a purpose. How would you explain the place of *good works* in regards to salvation and the life of a believer?

