

**“GLORY TO GOD THROUGH THE CHURCH”**  
**OVERVIEW OF EPHESIANS**

**I. NOTHING CAN BE “HIGH” UNLESS SOMETHING ELSE IS LOW:  
CONSIDER THE HUMAN AUTHOR OF THIS EPISTLE**

**A. The Lowness of Paul’s Circumstances At The Penning Of This Book**

- 1. Three References To His Incarceration**
- 2. Previous To House Arrest In Rome He Had Been Imprisoned  
Two Years In Caesarea**

**B. The Apostle’s Godly Conception Of The Circumstance**

- 1. Ultimately He Is A Prisoner Of Christ**
- 2. He Is An Apostle Of The One He Once Persecuted**

**C. The Nature Of The Apostle’s Mission**

- 1. It Included The Writing Of This Book**
- 2. It Included The Unveiling Of The “Mystery” Of Christ**

**II. NOTHING CAN BE “HIGH” UNLESS SOMETHING ELSE IS LOW:  
CONSIDER THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS EPISTLE**

**A. The City Of Ephesus**

- 1. Third Largest City In The World**
- 2. Temple Of Diana**

**B. The Conversion Of The Ephesians**

- 1. They Burned All Their Old Books**
- 2. They Exchanged It All For A Seat “In The Heavens”**

**III. NOTHING CAN BE “HIGH” UNLESS SOMETHING ELSE IS LOW:  
CONSIDER THE THEMES AND STRUCTURE OF THIS EPISTLE**

**A. It Neatly Divides Into Two Sections**

**B. Each Section Has Specific Objectives**

**1. Objective Of Section #1: To “Know” Certain Things**

**2. Objective Of Section #2: To “Walk” A Certain Way**

**C. Thematic Big Picture Of This Epistle: What The Father Is Doing  
Through Christ In The Church For His Own Glory Forever**

**IV. NOTHING CAN BE “HIGH” UNLESS SOMETHING ELSE IS LOW:  
CONSIDER WHAT IT WILL TAKE FOR YOU & I TO GRASP THIS**

**A. Paul Prayed Endlessly That The Ephesians Would “Get it”**

**B. We Should Pray For One Another That God Would Open The Eyes Of  
Our Understanding & Experience The Life Change That Goes  
With it**