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Under New Management

Ephesians 2:1-10 "And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, ²in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, ³among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh...⁴But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved)...⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, ⁹not of works, lest anyone should boast. ¹⁰For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them."

1. Who We WERE

A. You WERE DEAD (vs 1, Ephesians 4:18)

B. You WERE UNRIGHTEOUS (vs 2-3a)

C. You WERE OBJECTS OF WRATH

(vs 3b, Colossians 3:5-6)

2. Celebrate Your PRESENT

A. By GRACE you ARE SAVED (vs 4-5, vs 8)

B. By GRACE you ARE RAISED (vs 6)

C. By GRACE you ARE RECREATED

(vs 10, II Corinthians 5:17)

3. Rejoice in Your FUTURE (vs 7)

A. No DEATH (Revelation 21:4)

B. Eternity with JESUS (I Thessalonians 4:17)

C. A Eternal HOME (Revelation 21)

Conclusion: You WERE dead, but NOW you are alive. You WERE unrighteous, but NOW you have been purified in the blood of the lamb. You WERE objects of wrath, but NOW you stand before God forgiven.