

Ephesians 4:2

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering,
forbearing one another in love;

Analysis

[Verse 4:2 text would be quoted here] This verse in Ephesians chapter 4 addresses theological theme. Key Greek terms include to be determined.

The theological focus is doctrinal emphasis, demonstrating Paul's emphasis on the cosmic Christ and the church as His body/bride/temple. The phrase emphasizes union with Christ as the foundation of all spiritual blessings.

Historical Context

Written during Paul's Roman imprisonment (60-62 CE), this verse in chapter 4 reflects the circular letter's purpose to multiple Asian churches. Ephesus was a major center of pagan worship (Artemis cult) and early Christianity, making Paul's teachings on spiritual warfare and Christian unity particularly relevant.

Related Passages

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 4:2 about verse-specific transform your daily walk with Christ?
2. What does this verse teach about theological theme that challenges modern Christian practice?
3. How can you apply the theological principle of doctrinal emphasis in your relationships and witness?

Interlinear Text

μετὰ πάσης ταπεινοφροσύνης καὶ πραότητος, μετὰ

With all lowliness and meekness With
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μακροθυμίας ἀνεχόμενοι ἀλλήλων ἐν ἀγάπῃ

longsuffering forbearing one another in love
G3115 G430 G240 G1722 G26

Additional Cross-References

1 Corinthians 13:7 (Parallel theme): Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

Romans 15:1 (Parallel theme): We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves.

Matthew 11:29 (Parallel theme): Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

1 Timothy 6:11 (Love): But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

Proverbs 3:34 (Parallel theme): Surely he scorneth the scorners: but he giveth grace unto the lowly.

Psalms 138:6 (Parallel theme): Though the LORD be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off.

Numbers 12:3 (Parallel theme): (Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)

1 Peter 3:15 (Parallel theme): But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

Ephesians 1:4 (Love): According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

Galatians 6:2 (Parallel theme): Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

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