

Ephesians 4:32

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

Analysis

[Verse 4:32 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

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 4:32 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

γίνεσθε	δὲ	εἰς	ἀλλήλους	χρηστοί	εὐσπλαγχνοι		
be	And	one to another	G240	ye kind	tenderhearted		
G1096	G1161	G1519		G5543	G2155		
ἔχαρίσατο	ἑαυτοῖς	καθὼς	καὶ	ὁ	θεὸς	ἐν	Χριστῷ
forgiving	one another	even as	G2532	G3588	God	for	Christ's
G5483	G1438	G2531			G2316	G1722	G5547
ἔχαρίσατο	ὑμῖν						
forgiving	you						
G5483	G5213						

Additional Cross-References

Mark 11:25 (Parallel theme): And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

2 Corinthians 2:10 (References Christ): To whom ye forgive any thing, I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it, for your sakes forgave I it in the person of Christ;

Ephesians 5:1 (References God): Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;

Luke 6:35 (Parallel theme): But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.

Luke 6:37 (Parallel theme): Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:

Luke 17:4 (Parallel theme): And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

1 Corinthians 13:4 (Parallel theme): Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Matthew 6:12 (Parallel theme): And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Psalms 145:9 (Parallel theme): The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works.

1 John 2:12 (Parallel theme): I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake.