



# Ephesians

The Wealth, Walk, and Warfare of the Church

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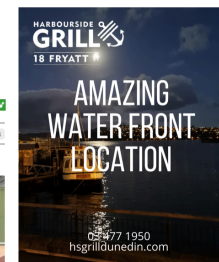
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The Hyde St party in full flight. Photo: Stephen Jaquetry



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## Ephesians 5:15-21

### Walking Wisely as a Spirit-Filled Church

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### Ephesians at a Glance



Segments	Chapter	Theme
Wealth of the Church	1	Every Spiritual Blessing in Messiah
	2	New Individuals / New Community
	3	Revealing the Mystery of Christ
Walk of the Church	4	Unity - Gifts - Maturity - New Self
	5	Spirit-Filled Living at Home and Work
	6	Armour of God
Book Theme	Riches of God's Grace	
Author	Paul (imprisoned in Rome, apostle to the Gentiles, entrusted with the mystery)	
Date	AD 60-62	
Purpose	Reveal the mystery, remind the saints of their identity and walk	
Key Words	In Christ, riches, love, inheritance, walk	
Historical Context	Roman empire, Emperor Nero, Artemis, hostility to Christians, Jew-Gentile relations	



Le Sueur, *The Preaching of Saint Paul at Ephesus*, 1649





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### What We Need to Do and Why

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Amphitheatre, Ephesus

## The COST of Discipleship

- Commitment
- Obedience
- Sacrifice
- Time-intentionality



## Ephesians 5:18

Power to Do It

- 18 And ***do not get drunk*** with wine, for that is debauchery, but ***be filled with the Spirit***...



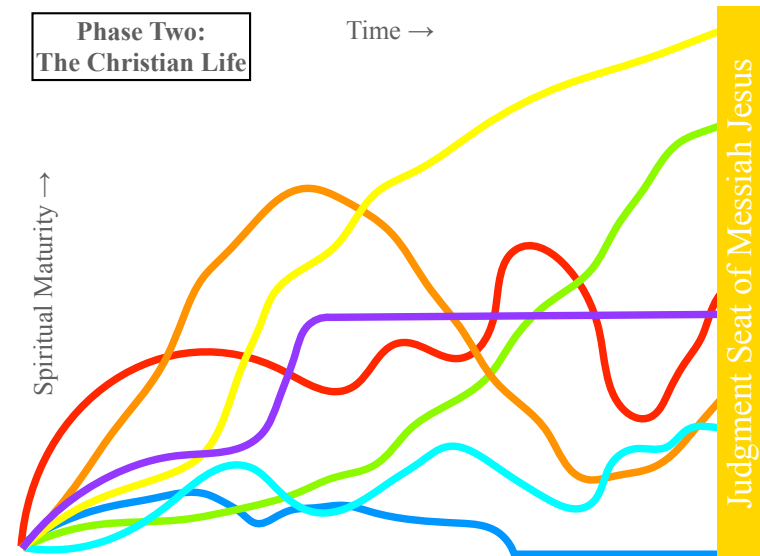
## THREE PHASES OF SALVATION

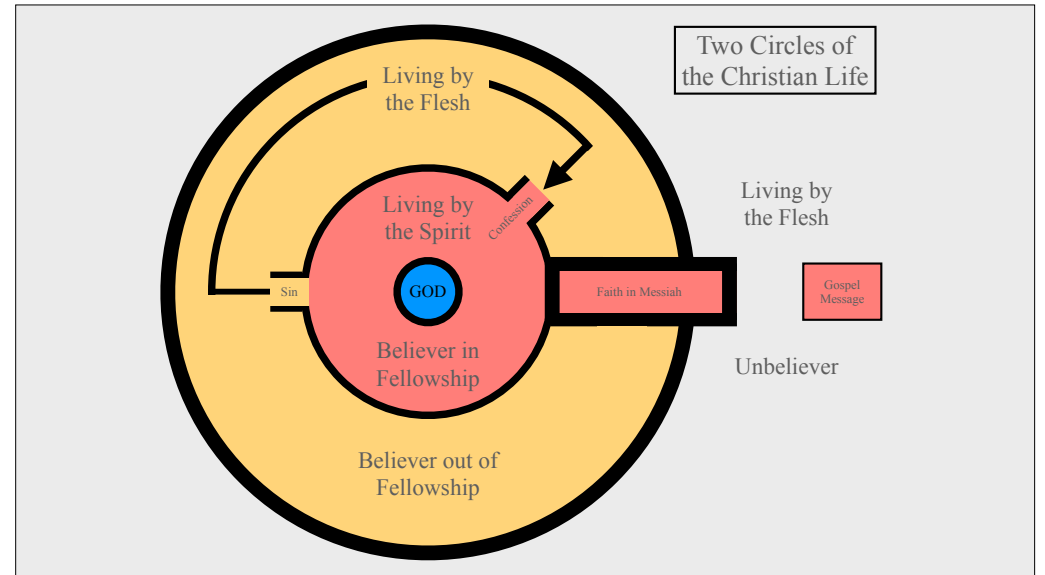
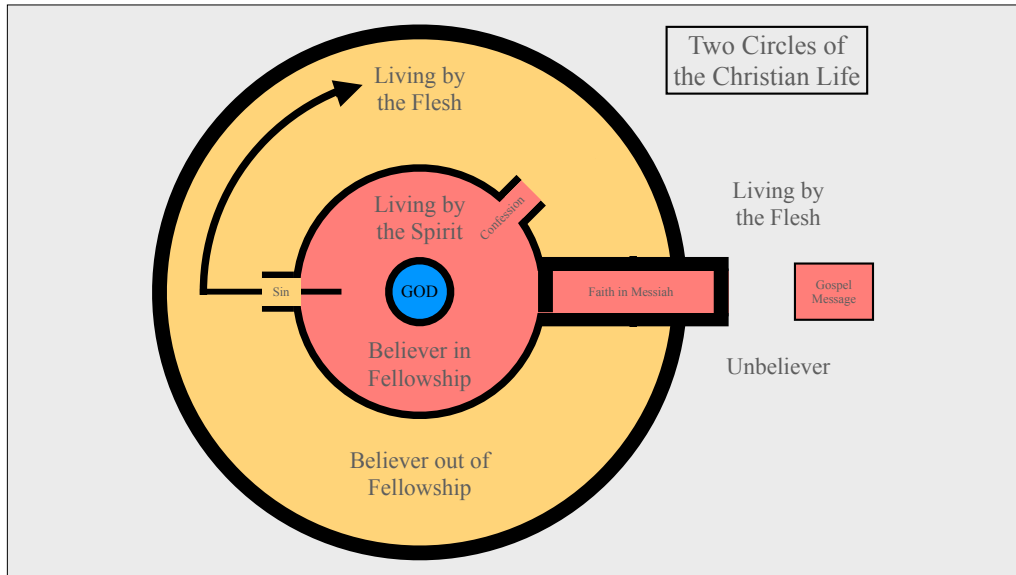
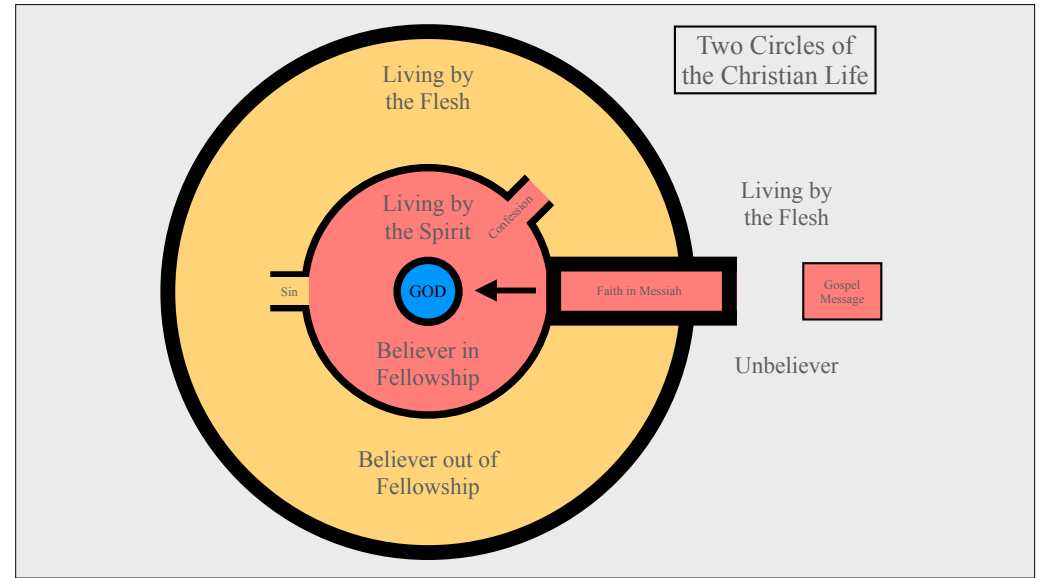
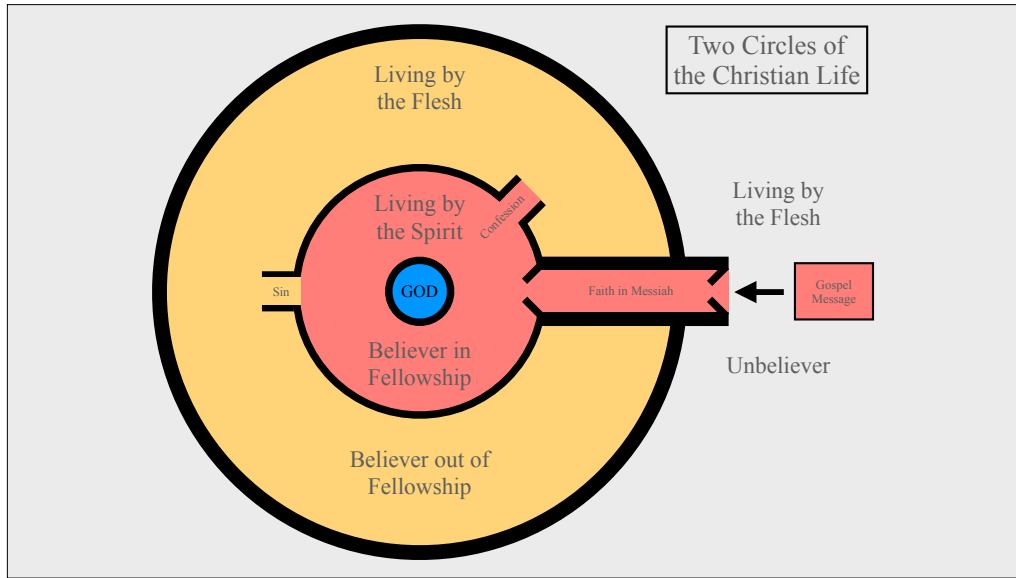
Phase Zero	Phase One	Phase Two	Phase Three
<b>Condemnation</b>	<b>Justification</b>	<b>Sanctification</b>	<b>Glorification</b>
Saved from <b><u>nothing</u></b>	Saved from the <b><u>penalty</u></b> of sin	Saved from the <b><u>power</u></b> of sin	Saved from the <b><u>presence</u></b> of sin
Life as an unbeliever	Moment of faith in Jesus	Believer's lifetime	Eternity future
No faith or works	Faith alone	Faith and works	Works alone

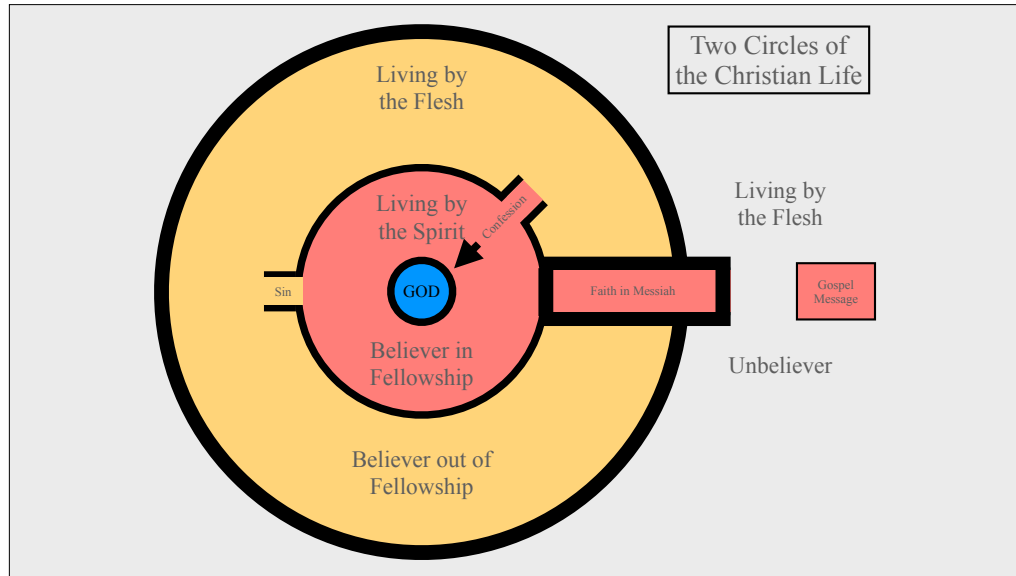
Phase Two:  
The Christian Life

Time →

Spiritual Maturity →







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### Results to Be Expected

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