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Ephesians 2:1-3

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What is wrong with you? Why is evil so pervasive? What is the human condition?

What are the options available to us from the wisdom of the world?

What is the practical, everyday view of man in our culture?

Our problem – we are dead. V 1

Human nature is spiritually dead. (Isa 59:2; Gen 2:16-17; 6:5-6; Col 2:13)

We are dead due to Trespasses and Sins

We violate the rules, and we fail to live up to them.

We have New Masters – the world, the devil, the flesh v 2-3

It is a culpable enslavement. We are willing captives.

The World

We walked, according to the course of this world.

We bought into the particular form of rebellious thought that was prevalent around us. We are all conformists.

The World is cultural opposition to God. (John 15:18-19; 1 Cor 3:19)

The Devil

The Prince of the power of the air. (John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11; Matt 9:34)

He works actively in the sons of disobedience.

The Flesh

Flesh is our fallen, self-centered, sinful nature.

We sin, because we are sinners.

Our wages – the wrath of God, condemnation

What is God's wrath?

Where is the hope in our text?

The blessed past tense.