

Politics, Denominations & Doctrine

Ephesians 4:1-4

Welcome back and here we go! Okay, I've been told I am supposed to start with a joke!

1) If you trust _____, you can be at _____!

Ephesians 4:1-4 I, therefore, the prisoner¹of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, ²with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, ³endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling;

POLITICS

Let's talk politics. What political party do I belong to? Most of you can't answer that question.

Why? --- I'm not talking politics. I could care less --- yet many are very stressed and have no peace..... or they are winners and gloating, almost arrogant and demeaning.

These are your Pastor's thoughts. I know some of you don't consider me your Pastor, but you are here so you get my thoughts.

I Timothy 2:1-8 Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, ²for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. ³For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, ⁷for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle—I am speaking the truth in Christ and not lying—a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

2) God appointed _____.

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Pray for your leaders and your nation. No one is anywhere without God allowing it. So why let it steal your peace?

DO NOT TALK POLITICS HERE. TALK CHRIST.

I am your example. I don't talk politics.

However, a donkey and an elephant walk into a bar.....

I am actually expecting three years of relative peace.

3) Don't _____ into the _____ to be _____.

II Corinthians 1:20 “For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.”

“All the Promises”



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4) There’s one _____ and one _____.

5) I attend here on Sunday: _____

God transcends all denominations. God called a people.

I Peter 2:4-10

Verse 9 KJV: But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light;

He said you are a *particular* people?

NO, a “*peculiar people*”. “They will know you by your love.”

What were you before you followed Christ? Keep following Christ and don’t allow division in.

6) It is funny that we are _____ these _____ at _____!

WHY?

† DOCTRINE †

Faith-Rest – Filling of the Spirit – Forgiveness of Sin – Mastery of the Details of Life – Living in the Word – Capacity to Love – Relaxed Mental Attitude – Orientation to Grace – Occupation With Christ.....

Here, we learn to function in today’s world as Christians.

Ephesians 4:1-12

We equip the Saints. Soon your peers will be speaking.... 😊

Thoughts to Ponder:

- a) Am I growing?
- b) Am I mentally distressed? Does the Bible actually help me?
- c) What am I doing to fix it? Do I have a solution I can already achieve?
- d) Am I serving?

Prayer – you can always ask for signs.