

# **But God Made Us Alive By Grace**

**Lessons From  
Ephesians 2:1-10**





# 1. We Were The Walking Dead

## The World

"According to the course of this world..."

## The Devil

"According to the prince of the power of the air..."

## The Flesh

"Among whom we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh..."



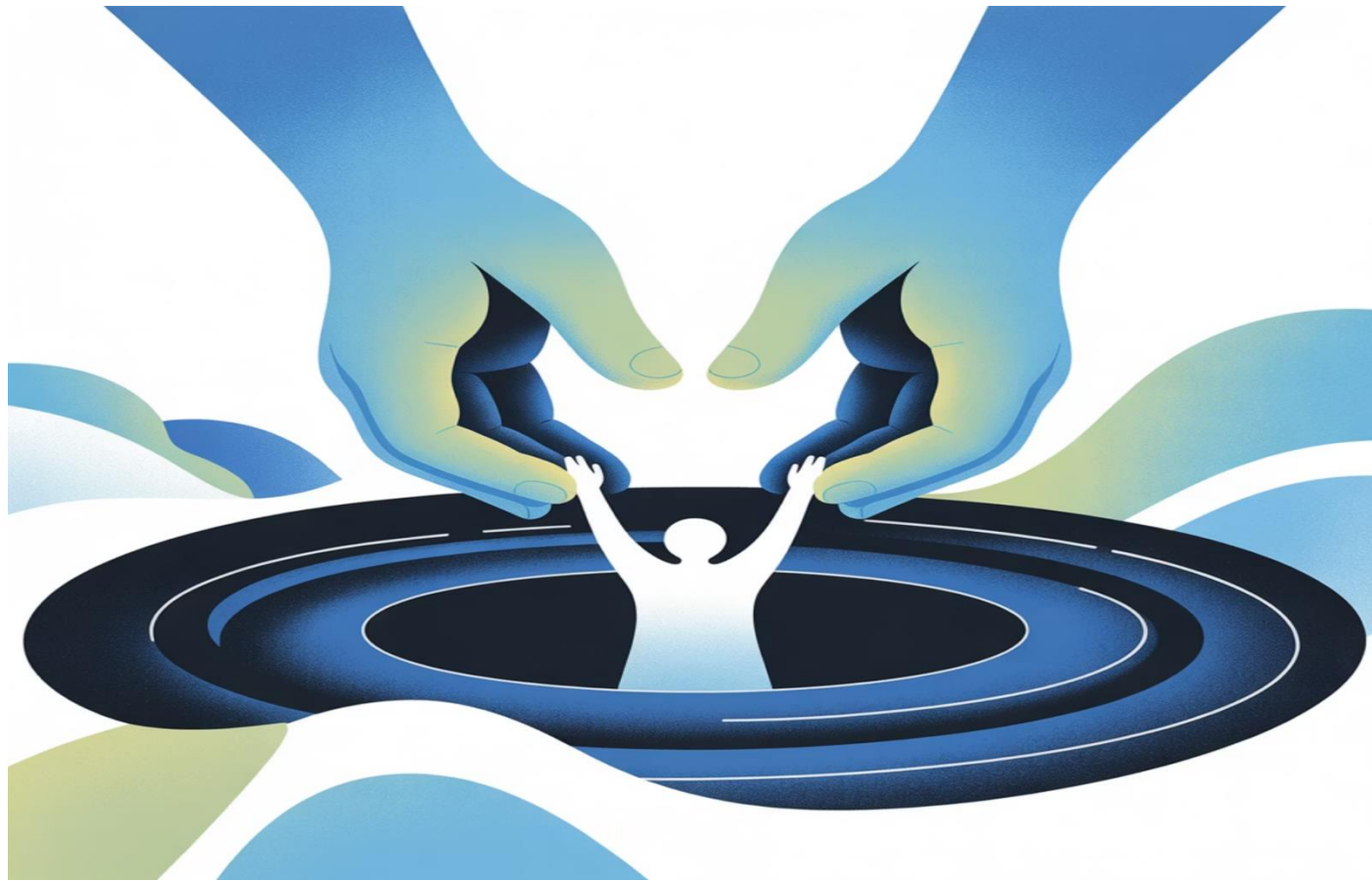




# 2. But God Made Us Alive

The pivotal point of our spiritual journey begins with two words

– "But God"



## 1 Because of Mercy

"But God being rich in mercy."

## 2 Because of Love

"Because of His great love, with which he loved us."



# God Made Us Alive Through Our Union With Christ

## His Resurrection

"Made us alive together with Christ"

## His Authority

"Seated us together in the heavenly places"

## His Glorification

"In the coming ages he might demonstrate His grace"

## The Gospel Call

- God** is Creator, Holy, and Requires Perfect Obedience.
- Man** has Broken God's Law and will Pay The Eternal Penalty for Sin and Cannot Save Himself by Good Works.
- Christ** came to Earth as God and Sinless Man. He Demonstrated God's Love by Dying on the Cross To Pay Sin's Penalty. He Rose and Is Alive Today.
- Repent** of your Own Way and your Own Works.
- Believe** that Christ is Savior and Lord.

**"Christianity is not a religion of self-help; it is a resurrection. We were not sick in sin—we were dead. It is only by grace, and through the mighty power that raised Jesus from the dead, that we are made alive."**

**— John Stott, "The Message of Ephesians"**







# **From Death to Life**



# 3. We Now Walk As A New Creation

**"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:10)**



**"There is a positive role for works, not as a cause of salvation, but as a product of it."**

**-Darrell Bock**



# Application: "So No One Can Boast"

## How We Boast Through Actions

1. Projecting A "Put Together" Image
2. Being Distant or Cliquish
3. Judging People By Appearance or Background

**Extend Grace As We Have Received it  
by Living In Humility**

"EXCLUSIVE ACCESS"



Gracious Father,

We remember that we were once dead in our  
trespasses—

blind, lost, and without hope,

until You brought us near by the blood of  
Christ.

Forgive us when we forget the pit You rescued  
us from.

Humble us when we compare ourselves to  
others.

Cleanse us from hidden pride, from cliques,  
from cold hearts.



Let Your grace shape how we see every soul who walks through our doors—  
not as outsiders to be measured,  
but as image-bearers You may be drawing to Yourself.

Help us welcome with warmth, listen with love,  
and serve with joy—remembering we have been served by Christ.

Let no visitor go unnoticed, no guest go unseen,  
and no heart go untouched by the kindness You've shown to us.

In Jesus' name, Amen.