

**Series: Kingdom Focused Families**  
**Kingdom Families Appreciate *Serving* Others**  
**Text: Ephesians 2:4-10 & 19-22 (AM 6/1/08)**

Most trends reveal that *attendance and participation* in the evangelical church in America is on the decline. We are quickly sliding down the slippery slope of *post-modernism* resulting in a post-Christian nation. The apostle Paul offers the remedy for our malady. We must rediscover the *beauty* of the Bride and the *bounty* that is discovered by those who immerse themselves in the Body Life of their church.

**I. The *Preeminence* of our Master (4-7)**

*Our Motive - "The exceeding riches of His Grace" (7)*

- Jesus is Love (4) – *"His great love..."*
- Jesus is Life (5-6) – *"(He made us) alive together with Christ..."*
- Jesus is Light (7) – *"Show(ing) the exceeding riches of His Grace..."*

**II. The *Place* of our Ministry (10)**

*Our Mandate - "His workmanship created... for good works" (10)*

- Mature believers *discover* their package – *"His workmanship"*
- Mature believers *determine* their place – *"Created...for good works"*
- Mature believers *decide* to plug-in – *"We should walk in them"*

**III. Our *Passion* for the Mission (19-22)**

*Our Moment - "Built on the foundation...of Jesus Christ" (20)*

- Jesus expects us to show-up - *"Members of the Household of God"*

- Jesus expects us to step-up – “*The whole building being fitted...*”
- Jesus expects us to stand-up – “*Built together for a dwelling place of God*”

**Application to life:** God in Christ has placed us on the planet for a purpose. Our *significance* is found in our relationship with Christ and His Church. Can Christ and His Church count on you to find your *ministry* and be on *mission*?