

THREE-PART SERMON SERIES

THE CHURCH, GOD'S *Handiwork*





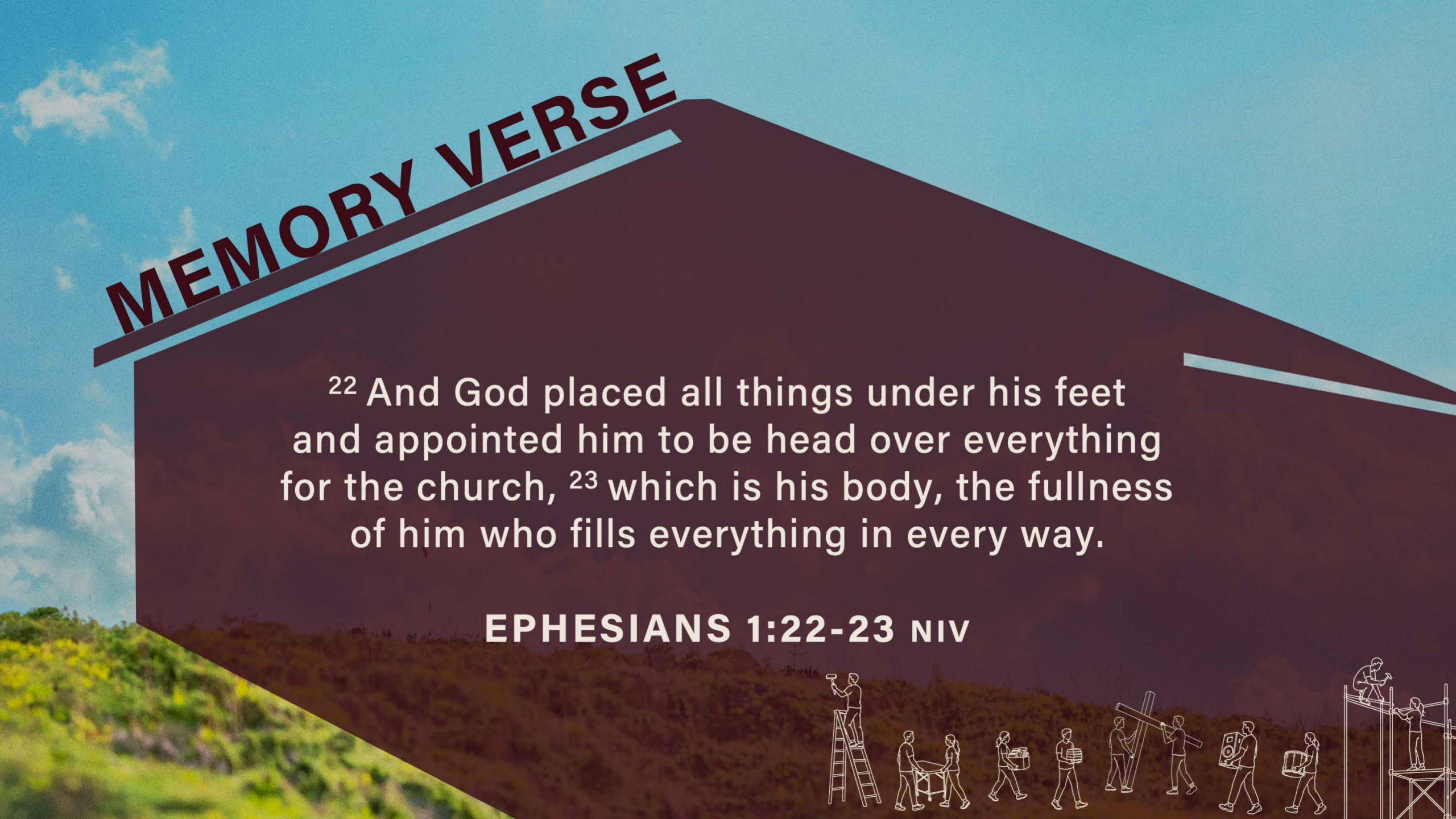
PART 1/3

A MASTERFUL *Creator*

We exist to give God glory

We have the seal of God's ownership

We live but by His Grace



MEMORY VERSE

²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

EPHESIANS 1:22-23 NIV



PART 2/3

AN INTENTIONAL *Design*





A DIVERSE DESIGN

EPHESIANS 2:11-12





THE CHURCH *includes a...*

- **Diversity of ethnicities** EPHESIANS 2:11-3:6
- **Diversity of roles and generations** EPHESIANS 5:22-6:9
- **Diversity of ministries** EPHESIANS 4:11-13



*Let's accept and celebrate one another's
uniqueness and embrace
diversity as part of God's design*



A UNITED DESIGN



EPHESIANS 2:19-22





Citizens with God's people



Members of His household



Whole building joined together



Built together as a temple



EPHESIANS 4:1-6



One Faith

One Hope

One Lord

One Spirit

One Baptism

One Body

One God and Father





IMAGES FOR UNITY IN THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS

BODY

BUILDING

TEMPLE

FAMILY

MARRIAGE

Features interrelatedness, belonging, mutuality, connection



*We are not meant to be isolated believers.
Let's live out the unity in God's design by
putting aside barriers and making effort
to build the Body of Christ*



Make every effort to keep the unity
of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

EPHESIANS 4:3 NIV

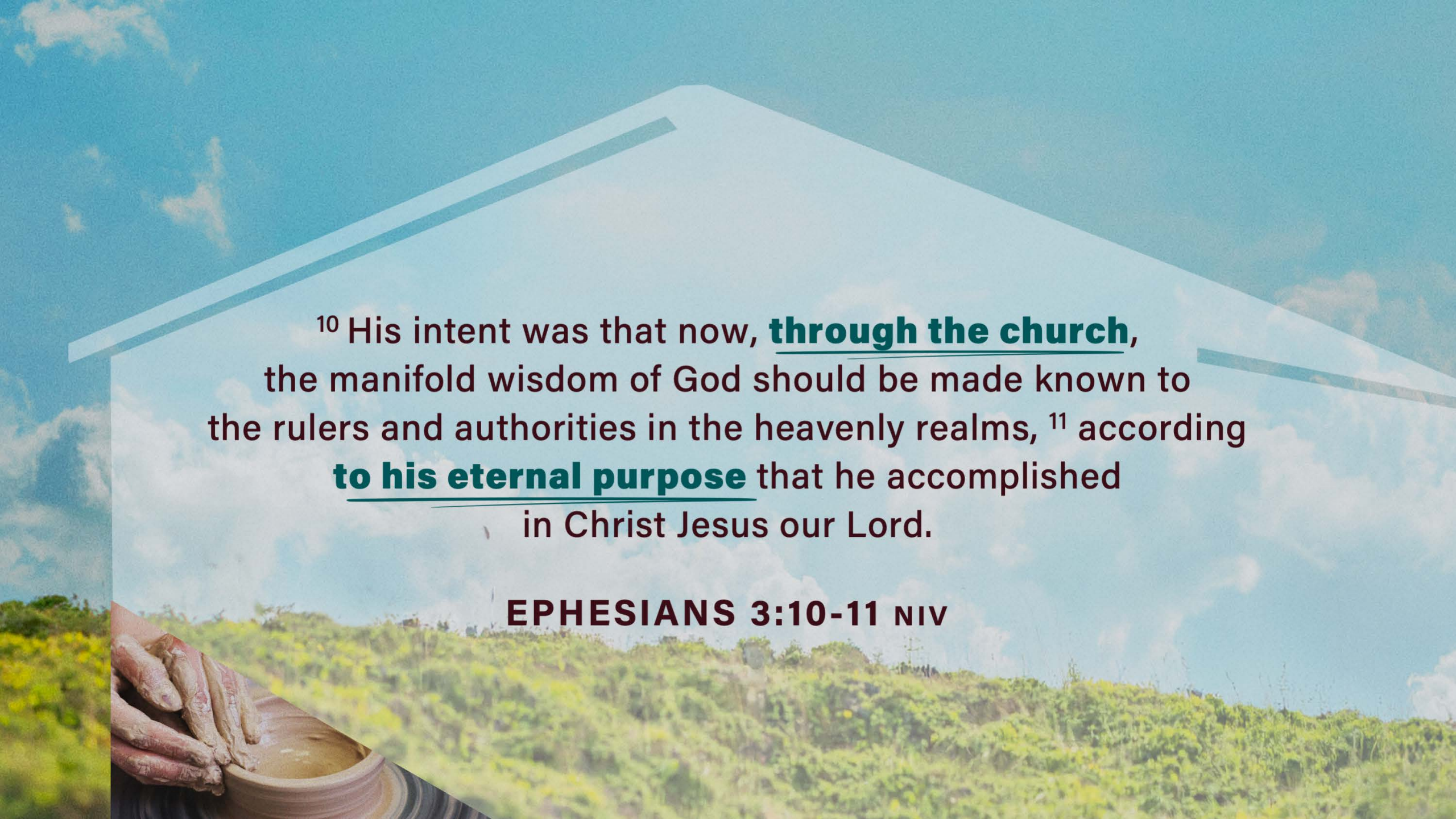


**A
PURPOSEFUL
DESIGN**



For we are **God's handiwork**,
created in Christ Jesus **to do good works**,
which God prepared in advance for us to do.

EPHESIANS 2:10 NIV



¹⁰ His intent was that now, **through the church**,
the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to
the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, ¹¹ according
to his eternal purpose that he accomplished
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

EPHESIANS 3:10-11 NIV



The Church is God's chosen instrument to display Christ.

*The church demonstrates the **reconciling power of Christ**,
creating one united people from people
who were formerly divided.*



*Let us showcase Christ
and impact our world*



