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GOD'S PLAN

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God has now revealed to us his mysterious will regarding Christ—which is to fulfill his own good plan. And this is the plan: At the right time he will bring **everything together under the authority of Christ**—everything in heaven and on earth.

Eph 1:9-10 NLT

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Therefore I, a prisoner for serving the Lord, beg you to **lead a life worthy of your calling**, for you have been called by God.

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Several days later a man named Agabus, who also had the gift of prophecy, arrived from Judea. He came over, took Paul's belt, and bound his own feet and hands with it. Then he said, "The Holy Spirit declares, '**So shall the owner of this belt be bound by the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem and turned over to the Gentiles.**'" When we heard this, we and the local believers all begged Paul not to go on to Jerusalem.

Act 21:10-12 NLT

WHY *in prison?*

But he said, “Why all this weeping? You are breaking my heart! I am ready not only to be jailed at Jerusalem but even to die for the sake of the Lord Jesus.” When it was clear that we couldn’t persuade him, we gave up and said, **“The Lord’s will be done.”**

Act 21:13-14 NLT

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Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love. Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace.

Eph 4:2-3 NLT

you SINGULAR

Endure suffering along with me, as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. Soldiers don't get **tied up in the affairs of civilian life**, for then they cannot please the officer who enlisted them.

2 Tim 2:3-4 NLT

you **SINGULAR**

“How are these things possible?” Nicodemus asked. Jesus replied, “You are a respected Jewish teacher, and yet you don’t understand these things?”

Joh 3:9-10 NLT

singular - **PLURAL**

For there is one body and one Spirit, just as you have been called to one glorious hope for the future. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all, in all, and living through all.

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Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.

Eph 4:11-12 NLT

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This will continue until we all come to such **unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son** that we will be **mature in the Lord**, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ.

Eph 4:13-16 NLT

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Then we will no longer be **immature** like children. We won't be **tossed** and **blown about** by every wind of new teaching. We will **not be influenced** when people try to trick us with lies so clever they sound like the truth.

Eph 4:13-16 NLT

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Instead, we will **speak the truth** in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church. He makes the whole body **fit together** perfectly. As **each part** does its own special work, it **helps the other** parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

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