

**Agosti 19, 2018**

Kuishi anastahili

### **Waefeso 4: 1-16**

*Sisi ni mawakala wa Roho ya Uumbaji katika ulimwengu huu. Mapema halisi katika maisha ya kiroho, basi, inamaanisha kukubali kazi hii na yote ambayo inahusisha. Sio tu kugeuza kurasa za gazeti la uhandisi na kufurahia picha, lakini kuvaa overalls na kuendelea na kazi. Uhai halisi wa kiroho lazima uwe sawa na wima; kuenea zaidi na zaidi kama vile unataka zaidi na zaidi (E. Underhill, 1937).*

Upumbavu wa Mungu ni busara kuliko hekima ya kibinadamu, na udhaifu wa Mungu ni nguvu kuliko nguvu za binadamu.  
1 Wakorintho 1:25

*Ikiwa tunapendelea kuendelea kuelezea mambo tunayotaka kutoka kwa Mungu, mara nyingi tunaweza kujivunjika moyo, kwa sababu tumesahau udhaifu wa Mungu na kile tunachoweza kumwita umaskini wa Mungu. Tulidhani Mungu ndiye mtoaji wa mambo yote mema tunayoweza kutamani; lakini kwa maana halisi, Mungu hana chochote cha kutopa isipokuwa Mwenyewe (S. Tugwell, 1975).*

Wito kwa ujumla unaweza kuonekana kuwa si chini ya upatanisho unaoendelea wa wanadamu wote kwa Mungu na kwa kila mmoja katika Kristo, ambao sisi tunaendelea kukua. Mizani ya Waefeso kujua jambo hili tayari imetokea katika kazi ya Kristo na kutambua kwamba upatanisho huo hutokea katika matukio yasiyo na mwisho ya unyenyekevu, upole, na uvumilivu kwa wengine kama mwili unajitambulisha yenyewe (P. Marshall, 2009).

**Wiki ijayo:** *Waefeso 4:25-5:2*

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### **Ephesians 4:1-16**

*We are agents of the Creative Spirit in this world. Real advance in the spiritual life, then, means accepting this vocation with all it involves. Not merely turning over the pages of an engineering magazine and enjoying the pictures, but putting on overalls and getting on with the job. The real spiritual life must be horizontal as well as vertical; spread more and more as well as aspire more and more (E. Underhill, 1937).*

The foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.  
1 Corinthians 1:25

*If we continue clamoring for things we want from God, we may often find ourselves disappointed, because we have forgotten the weakness of God and what we may call the poverty of God. We thought God was the dispenser of all the good things we could possibly desire; but in a very real sense, God has nothing to give at all except Himself (S. Tugwell, 1975).*

The calling in general terms can seem to be nothing less than the ongoing reconciliation of all humanity to God and each other in Christ, into Whom we ceaselessly grow. Ephesians balances knowing this has already occurred in Christ's work with the realization that such reconciliation happens in infinite instances of humility, gentleness, and patient forbearance with others as the body articulates itself (P. Marshall, 2009).

**Next week:** *Ephesians 4:25-5:2*

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**MASOMO YA MAANDIKO YA WIKI HII:**

**Leo:** *Zaburi 145 (Mungu anakuambia nini?)*

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**Jumatatu:** *1 Mambo ya Nyakati 29: 10-22*

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**Jumanne:** *Luka 10:1-12*

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**Jumatano:** *Luka 22:14-30*

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**Alhamisi:** *Waebrania 12: 18-29*

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**Ijumaa:** *Mathayo 4: 18-25*

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**Jumamosi:** *Ufunuo 11: 15-19*

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Baba Mwenye Nguvu, ruhusu Kanisa Lako, likiwa limeunganishwa kwa upendo na utii kwa Wewe, inaweza kuwa umoja katika mwili mmoja na Roho wako, ili ulimwengu uamini Yeye Yeye alimtuma Mwana wako, Yesu Kristo-Bwana wetu; Ambaye anaishi na anatawala pamoja nawe, katika umoja wa Roho Mtakatifu, Mungu mmoja, sasa na milele. Amina.

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**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:**

**Today:** *Psalm 145 (What is God saying to you?)*

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**Monday:** *1 Chronicles 29:10-22*

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**Tuesday:** *Luke 10:1-12*

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**Wednesday:** *Luke 22:14-30*

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**Thursday:** *Hebrews 12:18-29*

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**Friday:** *Matthew 4:18-25*

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**Saturday:** *Revelation 11:15-19*

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Almighty Father, grant that Your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to You, may be united in one body by Your Spirit, that the world may believe in Him Whom You sent—Your Son, Jesus Christ—our Lord; Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. Amen.