

Precepts Ministries International

A study of Paul's Letter to the

EPHESIANS



THE CHURCH
ROOTED IN LOVE...
**WALKING IN
POWER**

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Chapter 1



Our prayer

Spirit of *wisdom and revelation in knowledge* of Jesus Christ

Understand the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe.

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God is saying to you today.

Rest in Me.

I am already at work
in your life.



Secured In Thee

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1:1 who are faithful in Christ Jesus.



Renounced the natural Adamic mindset

Accepted that God has completely satisfied the criteria for my relationship

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Fully committed to the guidance of His Word

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1:2 Grace to you and peace

from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.



God's immeasurable Love

Restore Your wholeness

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1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ..

*By His nature God is inclined to bestow blessedness
and*

He takes holy pleasure in the happiness of His people

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*1:4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world,
that we would be holy and blameless before Him.*

Method of Blessings **Sovereign Election**

God chose for Himself – By Himself

*You are able to choose God because God has made that
choice possible* ..



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*In love ⁵ He **predestined** us to adoption **as sons** through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, ⁶ to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved*

Motive of Blessings

Agape is the **disposition** of God's heart to draw you into the intimacy of His own family with an immediate inheritance

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SONS - PRAISE OF THE GLORY OF HIS GRACE

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*1:7 In Him we have **redemption** through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace⁸ which He lavished on us.*

Means of Blessings

Redemption

God's forgiveness is infinite;

"I am satisfied with my Beloved; when I look at you, I see Him and I am well pleased"

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1:8 In all wisdom and insight ⁹ He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him



Mystery of Blessings

***God will one day unite everything in Christ
and
we will be a part of this eternal program***

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*1:10 with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, that is, the **summing up of all things in Christ**, things in the heavens and things on the earth.*



Meaning of Blessings

Blessed us

Chosen us

Made us holy and blameless

Predestined us to adoption

Lavishly us forgiveness

Redeemed us

The paradise lost in Adam is restored in Christ

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*In Him ¹¹ also we have obtained an **inheritance**, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will, ¹² to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ would be to the praise of His glory.*



Magnificent Blessings

We are heirs to every spiritual blessing God ever made

Life and godliness II PET 1:3-4

Restore us to our divine image of God

Destined to glorify Him forever

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1:13 In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, ¹⁴ who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory.

Mine all mine Blessings

“This person belongs to me and is an authentic citizen of My divine kingdom and member of my divine family”

TO THE PRAISE OF MY GLORY



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BLESSING FOR MY GLORY

The great overriding purpose of God's redemption of men is the rescuing of what is His own possession
All creation belongs to God, and in His infinite wisdom, love and grace He chose to provide redemption for the fallen creatures He had made in His own image – for His own sake ever more than for their sake because they do not belong to themselves but to Him.

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1:15 For this reason I too, having heard of the faith in the Lord Jesus which exists among you and your love for all the saints, 16 do not cease giving thanks for you, while making mention of you in my prayers; 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him. 18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe.



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*1:19 These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His
might working of the strength of His might ²⁰ which He brought
about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated
Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule
and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is
named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And He
put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head
over all things to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of
Him who fills all in all.*





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