

**We Are So Blessed!**  
**Ephesians 1:3-14**

**I. Introduction Review**

A. Who Wrote This Letter?

Paul

B. Who Is This Letter Written To?

Ephesian Believers

C. Where Is This Letter Written From?

House Arrest in Rome

D. Why Was This Letter Written?

“Preventative Maintenance”

E. What Is This Letter About?

“The Believer’s wealth and walk.”

“The believer’s wealth is described to help believers live in accordance with it.”

F. What Is Inside This Letter?

2 Basic Sections:

Section #1: Chapters 1-3 “Orthodoxy” = Correct Thinking

Section #2: Chapters 4-6 “Orthopraxy” = Correct Doing

## **II. Ephesians 1:3-23**

A. Ephesians Chapter 1 Has 2 Sections:

Vss. 3-14 Believer's Blessings Described

Vss. 15-23 Paul Offers a Prayer for Believers.

B. Trinitarian Blessings:

1. Chosen by the Father (vss. 3-6)

2. Redeemed by the Son (vss. 7-12)

3. Sealed by the Spirit (vss 13-14)

Prayer for Understanding (vss. 15-23)

## **III. Chosen by the Father (1:3-6)**

“Predestined” = “God has determined beforehand that those who believe in Christ will be adopted into His family and conformed to His Son.” ~ Dr. Charles Ryrie

A. Three Blessings from the Father...

1. Every Spiritual Blessing (vs. 3)

2. Holy and Blameless (vs. 4)

3. Adoption (vs. 5)

B. Praise to the Father (vs. 6)

## IV. Redeemed by the Son (1:7-12)

### A. Four Blessings from the Son...

1. Redemption (vs. 7)

2. Forgiveness (vs. 7)

3. Revelation (vs. 8-10)

“Wisdom” and “Insight” (vs. 8)

Note vs. 10... “Administration”. This is where we get our word for Dispensation.

Greek = *Oikonomia*

*Oikos* = House

*Nomos* = Rule or Law

Lewis Sperry Chafer coined a theological word, “Intercalation”

4. Inheritance (vs. 11)

### B. 3 Phases of Salvation...

1. Justification: Freedom from Sin’s Penalty

2. Sanctification: Freedom from Sin’s Power

3. Glorification: Freedom from Sin’s Presence

C. Praise to the Son (vs. 12)

**V. Sealed by the Spirit (1:13-14)**

A. 2 Blessings from the Holy Spirit...

1. Sealed (vs. 13)

2. Pledge (vs. 14)

B. Praise to the Spirit (vs. 14)