

## Sermon Discussion Questions

Date: 3/16/14

Title: *"You are Rich"*

Text: Ephesians 1:1-14

1. What blessings are ours from the Father?
2. Which of these blessings is most significant to you? Explain.
3. The notion of being "chosen" and "predestined" is strong here. From the information given in verses 1 – 14, try to formulate a clear statement of what it means to be chosen by God.
4. What is Paul's emotional reaction to being chosen and predestined? What is yours?
5. According to verses 9-10, God has blessed us by revealing that the ultimate goal of history is to bring all things under Christ. What does this mean?
6. What do you discover in these verses about God's attitude toward us (especially vv. 4 – 7)?
7. Have you ever imagined God as a reluctant giver of blessings? If so, why?
8. What does it mean to live "to the praise of his glory" (vv. 6, 12, 14)? How can we do this?
9. What do you find most encouraging or challenging from this passage or the pastor's sermon on this passage?