

## **“BUILT BY GRACE”**

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Ephesians 1:1-14 (NASB)

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### **1. WE ARE PURSUED BY CHRIST.**

**Ephesians 1:1-14 (NASB)** <sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, **To the saints who are at Ephesus** and *who are* faithful in Christ Jesus: <sup>2</sup> **Grace to you and peace** from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>3</sup> 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, <sup>4</sup> just **as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world**, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love <sup>5</sup> **He predestined us to adoption** as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

### **2. WE ARE PURCHASED BY CHRIST.**

<sup>7</sup> **In Him we have redemption through His blood**, the **forgiveness of our trespasses**, according to the riches of His grace <sup>8</sup> which He lavished on us. In all **wisdom and insight** <sup>9</sup> He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him <sup>10</sup> 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.

### **3. WE ARE PRESERVED BY CHRIST.**

In Him <sup>11</sup> also we have obtained an **inheritance**, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will, <sup>12</sup> to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ would be to the praise of His glory. <sup>13</sup> 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**, <sup>14</sup> 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.