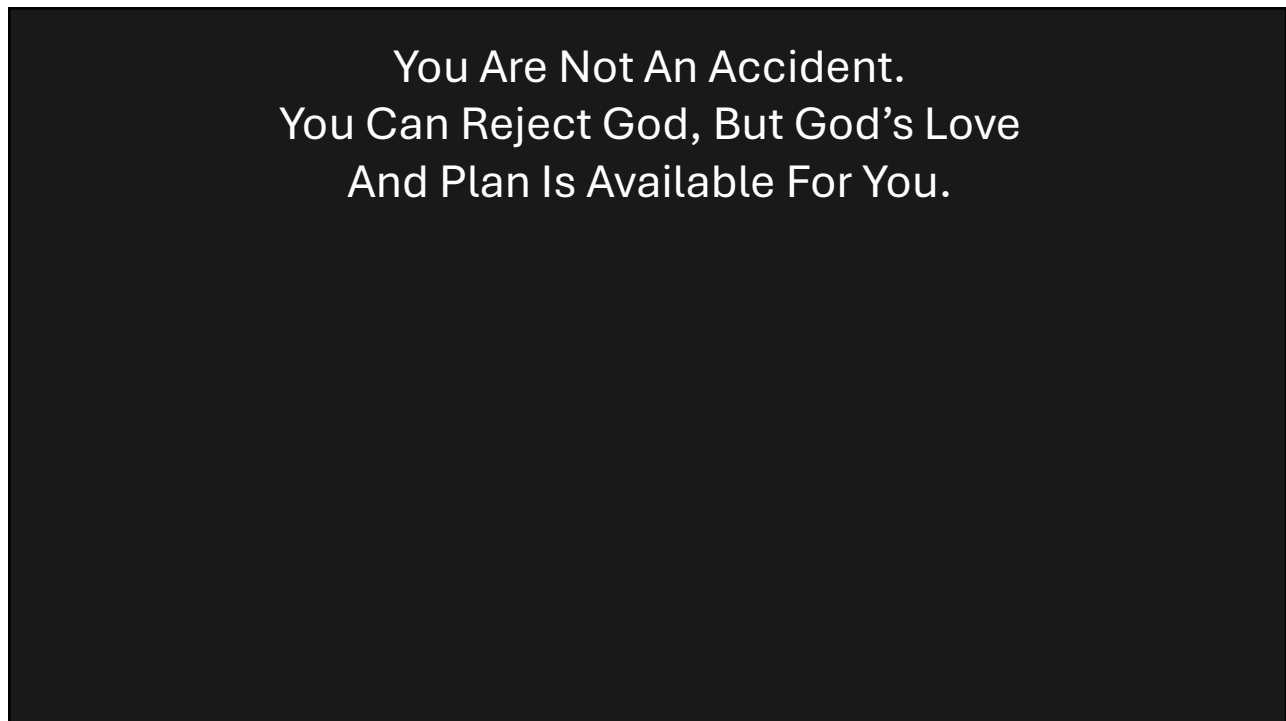


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Ephesians 1:3–10

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed

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Ephesians 1:3–10

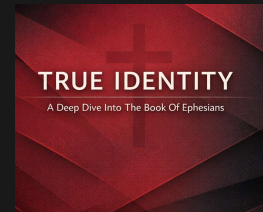
us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth in him.

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CREATED TO WORSHIP

“Blessed”

- Worthy of worship
- Worthy of praise
- Adoration anchored in a deepening love
 - Deepening love grows as relationship grows
 - Relationship grows as dependency and trust grow



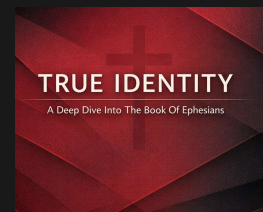
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CREATED TO WORSHIP

“Blessed”

First Focus Of Blessed

- God
 - Creator and Father
 - Supremely and independently over all
 - All sufficient, all powerful, all knowing



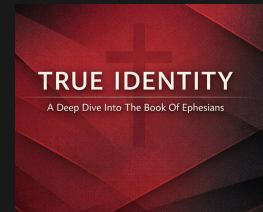
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CREATED TO WORSHIP

“Blessed”

First Focus Of Blessed

- God
- Lord Christ Jesus
 - All powerful Son of God
 - Messiah



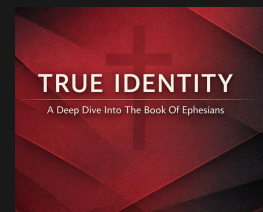
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CREATED TO WORSHIP

“Blessed”

First Focus Of Blessed

- God
- Lord Christ Jesus
- Believers' recognition of God
 - Responds to God for who He is
 - Responds to God for what He continues to do
 - Responds to God for what He is going to complete



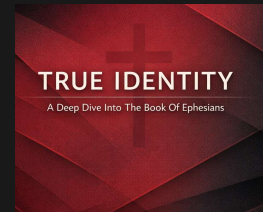
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CREATED TO WORSHIP

“Blessed”

First Focus Of Blessed
Believers Bless Because

- God has first blessed
- Through Christ
 - The manifested plan of Jesus
 - The completed work of Jesus
- Every spiritual blessing
 - Salvation
 - Relationship
 - Access



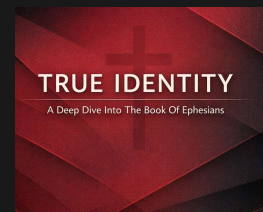
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CREATED TO WORSHIP

“Blessed”

First Focus Of Blessed
Believers Bless Because
Heavenly Places

- Sinless place of perfection
- Presence of the throne of God
- Pure and holy

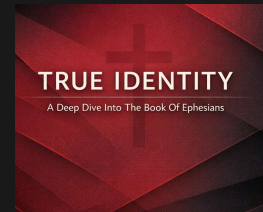


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CREATED BEFORE ALL

Preplanned

- God is not reactive
- God is proactive
 - All knowing – Omniscience
 - Eternal – not bound by time or space

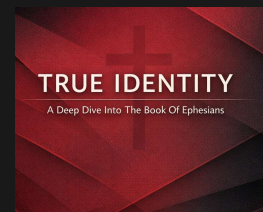


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CREATED BEFORE ALL

Preplanned

- God is not reactive
- God is proactive
- God's choosing
 - Before He began creation
 - Creation was not a random act

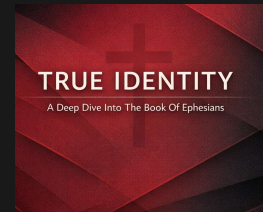


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CREATED BEFORE ALL

Preplanned His Plan

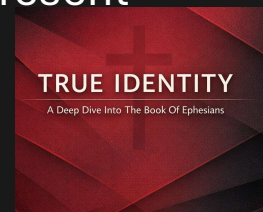
- We – anyone who obeys the Holy Spirit's call of salvation
 - Should be
 - Born sinners but not without hope
 - Born sinners but not without a plan
- Romans 3:23-26



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Romans 3:23–26

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.



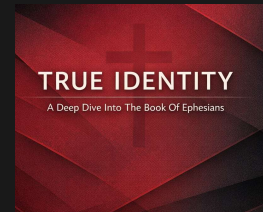
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CREATED BEFORE ALL

Preplanned His Plan

- We – anyone who obeys the Holy Spirit's call of salvation
- Should be
- Holy – from sinful to holy
- Blameless – from guilty to blameless
- Before Him – holy and pure

2 Corinthians 5:16–21



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2 Corinthians 5:16–21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them,

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2 Corinthians 5:16–21

and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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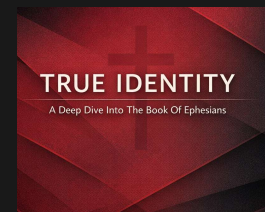
CREATED BEFORE ALL

Preplanned

His Plan

His Action

- Predesigned for adoption
- Adoption
 - Need for adoption
 - Path for adoption
 - Action of adoption
 - As sons
- All through Jesus Christ



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CREATED BEFORE ALL

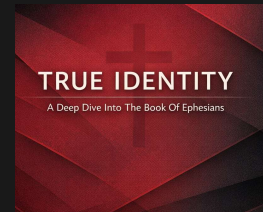
Preplanned

His Plan

His Action

His Will

- Unwavering
- Perfect and pure
- Good not evil
- Demonstration of love

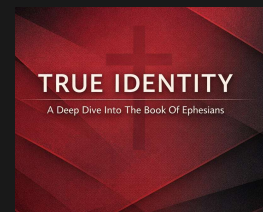


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CREATED TO DEMONSTRATE

Of Glorious Grace

- Unearned favor
- Blessing given
- Through the Beloved – Jesus Christ

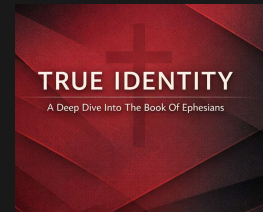


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CREATED TO DEMONSTRATE
 Of Glorious Grace
 Because Of God's Grace Through Jesus Christ

- Ransoming from the slavery and plenty of sin
- Redemption through His blood

Hebrews 10:8–10



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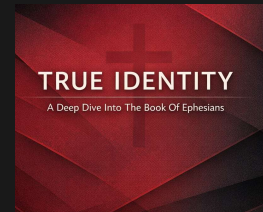
Hebrews 10:8–10

When he said above, “You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings” (these are offered according to the law), then he added, “Behold, I have come to do your will.” He does away with the first in order to establish the second. And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

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CREATED TO DEMONSTRATE
 Of Glorious Grace
 Because Of God's Grace Through Jesus Christ
 Forgiveness For All Sin

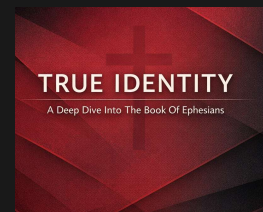
- Demonstration of the richness of God's grace
- From slavery and death to adoption and life
- According to God's wisdom
 - Perfect
 - Complete
 - All knowing



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CREATED TO DEMONSTRATE
 Of Glorious Grace
 Because Of God's Grace Through Jesus Christ
 Forgiveness For All Sin
 God's Plan

- Through Jesus
- From before plan
- All united through Christ
- Heaven and earth all in Him



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**You Were Created By God.
Are You Living Out His Perfect
Plan For You And His Glory?**

