



## **Route 66 Ephesians**

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**-How do you identify yourself?**

**-How do you introduce yourself?**

**-What things do people identify with?**

**-Why do you think people identify the way they do?**

### **Ephesians 1:1-2**

*“Paul, **an apostle of Christ Jesus** by the will of God, To God’s holy people in Ephesus, the faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.”*

### **Ephesians 3:7**

*“I became a **servant of this gospel...**”*

### **Ephesians 3:8**

*“Although **I am less than the least of all the Lord’s people...**”*

### **Praise for Spiritual Blessings in Christ**

### **Ephesians 1:3**

*“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.”*

### **We Have Been Blessed with Every Spiritual Blessing?**

**Look at the blessings we have in Christ, which really should shape our identity.**

## **Ephesians 1:4-12**

*“For **he chose us** in him before the creation of the world to be **holy and blameless in his sight**. In love he **predestined us for adoption** to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will— to the praise of his glorious grace, which **he has freely given us in the One he loves**.*

*In him **we have redemption** through his blood, the **forgiveness of sins**, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace that **he lavished on us**. With all wisdom and understanding, he **made known to us the mystery** of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to **bring unity to all things** in heaven and on earth under Christ.*

*In him **we were also chosen**, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity **with the purpose of his will**, in order that we, who were the first to put **our hope in Christ**, might be for the praise of his glory.”*

-We are Chosen.

-We are Holy & Blameless in His sight.

-We are His Children

-We have been given His Son.

-We are Redeemed.

-We are Forgiven.

-He has lavished His Grace on us.

-He has revealed the Mystery of the Gospel to us with all wisdom & understanding.

-We have unity with the Father, the Son & the Holy Spirit.

**Am I part of these blessings?**

**How can I identify with this passage of scripture?**

## **Ephesians 1:13-14**

*“And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God’s possession—to the praise of his glory.”*

**What is it Paul wants us to get in this passage?**

**What does all this mean for your identity?**

**Let’s stop identifying with things that don’t matter and simply let Christ shape us into who he wants us to be!!**