

# Ephesians 1:1–14

1. Paul, an apostle of *Christ Jesus* through the will of **God**  
    To the holy ones **in** Ephesus  
    believers who are **in** Christ Jesus
  2. Grace to you and peace from **God our Father**  
and the *Lord Jesus Christ*.
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3. Blessed is the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us  
**in** every spiritual blessing, **in** the heavenly places, **in** Christ.

## 1. Past

4. as he chose us **in** him, before the foundation of the world, **to be holy and blameless before him in love.**
5. **having predestined us** to sonship through Jesus Christ to himself,  
**according to the pleasure of his will,**
6. **to the praise of the glory of his grace** which he heaped graciously on us **in** the Beloved One,
7. **in** whom we have **redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of transgressions,**  
according to the riches of his grace,

## 2. Present

8. that he lavished on us in all **wisdom and insight,**
9. having revealed to us **the mystery of his will,**  
**according to his pleasure**  
that he purposed **in** him,
10. as **a plan** for the fullness of the times, to bring together under one head all things **in** Christ,  
the things in heaven and things on earth **in** him.

## 3. Future

11. **in** whom we have also received an inheritance,  
**having been predestined** according to the purpose of the one who is working in all things  
**according to the council of his will,**
12. so that we might be **to the praise of his glory** who first put our hope **in** Christ,
13. **in** whom you also, having heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation,  
**in** whom you then believed, were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,
14. who is **the first deposit of our inheritance,** until the redemption of the possession,

**to the praise of his glory.**

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pattern:

God's **Choice** on an Issue

**His Plan for accomplishing this**  
**according to his pleasure/will**  
**to the praise of his glory**

How as a **Result**, in Christ, **this works out in practice**