

## Ephesians 1:1-14

### Salutation

**1** Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,  
To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful<sup>[a]</sup> in Christ  
Jesus:

**2** Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus  
Christ.

### Spiritual Blessings in Christ

**3** 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, **4** just as he chose us in Christ<sup>[b]</sup> before the foundation of  
the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. **5** He  
destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ,  
according to the good pleasure of his will, **6** to the praise of his  
glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. **7** In  
him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of  
our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace **8** that he  
lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight **9** he has made known  
to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that  
he set forth in Christ, **10** as a plan for the fullness of time, to  
gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on  
earth. **11** In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance,<sup>[c]</sup> having  
been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes  
all things according to his counsel and will, **12** so that we, who  
were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise  
of his glory. **13** In him you also, when you had heard the word of  
truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were  
marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; **14** this<sup>[d]</sup> is the  
pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own  
people, to the praise of his glory.