

Ephesians 1:1-14 Study Questions (cont)

4. Using 1:5-6 to what did God “predestine” us (v5a), and what was this in accordance with (5b)? To what should this lead (v6a), and what else has God done for us (v6b)?

5. Based on 1:7 what has Christ given us (7a), how was this possible (7b), and what does this reveal about God’s grace? How does redemption (restoring our usefulness) connect with forgive-

6. From 1:8-9 what has God made known to us (v9), and by what method (v8, 9)? Upon whom does God’s revelation center (v9b), and what is God’s attitude in giving us this revelation (v9)?

7. According to 1:10 what is this “mystery” of God’s will (v10b), and what do you think this means? Why did God reveal it to us (v10a)?

8. Read 1:11-12. What has God done for us in Christ (v11a), and whose idea was that—ours or God’s (v11b)? What is His purpose in giving us this gift (v12)? How should we apply this?

9. In 1:13 what is the two step process of salvation (v13a, b)? How is the “gospel” described (v13b), and what does this tell us? What happens to everyone who genuinely believes in Christ (v13c)?

10. From 1:14 what do we have to look forward to (v14a), and how is this guaranteed (v14a)? What will God ultimately do for us (v14b), and why (v14b)?

11. Write down how we have been blessed by God the Father (1:3-6), God the Son (1:7-12), and God the Holy Spirit (1:13-14).

Scripture to Remember

*“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.”
Ephesians 1:3*

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Life Group Questions

(Using questions based on today’s message, Life Groups meet in homes to build supportive relationships with others at Celebration Fellowship that enable us to grow in Christ.)

1. Let several share what they like best about a house—the kitchen, the exterior, the bathrooms, the game room, family room, etc, and why.
2. Talk about the things people focus on while building their lives—the foundation, rooms, exterior, etc. What does Jesus say to focus on, and why?
3. We build on a wise foundation when we build on the character of Christ, and on the character of faith. How do we build on the character of Christ in our lives?
4. Discuss various aspects of the character of faith, and the relationship between faith and works. How do we build our lives on faith? Be specific.
5. What kind of storms do you typically face, and, practically speaking, how will having the character of Christ and the character of faith help you endure these?
6. Discuss anything else that impressed you from the message today if you have time.