(Topics and Lead-in Below)



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TOPICS: Atonement; God's Love; Living in Christ; Praise & Worship

LEAD-IN: 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. 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 to be adopted as his sons 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. And 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 will have reached their fulfillment—to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even 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 hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having 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. (Ephesians 1:3-14, NIV)

## LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

## **Prayer Response to Ephesians 1:3-14**

Father, thank You for blessing me super-abundantly, eternally in Jesus Christ.

Thank You for choosing me and adopting me as Your own child in Jesus Christ.

Thank You for wiping out all my sins and all my sinfulness, completely and forever, in Jesus Christ.

Thank You for showing me that

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at the right time, You will bring together all reality in Jesus Christ.

Thank You for giving me a part in all You are and all are doing, Father, and for allowing me to glorify You in Jesus Christ.

Thank You for giving me the very Spirit of Jesus Christ Himself as a down payment that I enjoy freely now. This great gift is Your guarantee that when the time is perfect, You will fulfill every promise You have ever made and every beautiful purpose of Your loving heart, in Jesus Christ.

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