

# Ephesians Outline

## I. The Prologue (1:1-2)

## II. The Purpose of the Church in Christ Manifested (1:3-3:21)

### A. Purpose In Christ Praised (1:3-14)

#### 1. Every Spiritual Blessing in Christ (1:3)

Eph. 3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ,

#### 2. Chosen in Christ (1:4-6)

Ephesians 1:4-6 4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love 5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

##### a) **Action:** Chosen / Predestined in Christ

4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world,... 5 He predestined us

##### b) **Purpose:** Holy and Blameless (state) / Adopted Sons (status)

that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love 5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself,

##### c) **Motive:** Love out of His Will

v.4 In love 5 ..., according to the kind intention of His will,

##### d) **Goal:** Praise of His Glory

6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

#### 3. Redemption in Christ (1:6b-10)

Ephesians 1:7-10 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace 8 which He lavished on us. In all wisdom and insight 9 He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him 10 with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, *that is*, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth. In Him

##### a) **Action:** Shedding Christ's Blood

In Him we have redemption through His blood,

##### b) **Purpose:** Redemption, Forgiveness of our Sins

we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses,

c) **Motive:** Grace

according to the riches of His grace 8 which He lavished on us.

d) **Goal:** Summing up all things in Christ

In all wisdom and insight 9 He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him 10 with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, *that is*, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth

**4. Inheritance in Christ (1:11-12)**

vv.11-12 also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will, 12 to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ would be to the praise of His glory.

a) **Action:** Inheritance in Christ

also we have obtained an inheritance,

b) **Purpose:** (v.4 holy, blameless, adopted sons)

according to His purpose

c) **Motive:** Steadfast Sovereignty

who works all things after the counsel of His will,

d) **Goal:** Praise of His Glory (v.12)

12 to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ would be to the praise of His glory.

**5. Sealed in the Holy Spirit (v.13-14)**

Eph 1:13-14 In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, 14 who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of *God's own* possession, to the praise of His glory.

a) **Action:** Sealed

In Him, ... you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise,

b) **Purpose:** Guarantee Inheritance

14 who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of *God's own* possession,

c) **Motive:** Establish Your Belief!

you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed

d) **Goal:** Praise of His Glory (v.14)

to the praise of His glory.

**B. Purpose In Christ Prayed for (1:15-19)**

**C. Power In Christ Manifested (1:20-3:13)**

1. In Christ (1:20-21)
2. Individually to Men (2:1-10)
3. Corporately to Gentiles (2:11-22)
4. Personally to Paul (3:1-13)

**D. Power In Christ Prayed for (3:14-21)****III. The Performance of the Church in Christ Manifested (4:1-6:20)****A. Walk in Unity (4:1-16)****B. Walk in Holiness (4:17-32)****C. Walk in Love (5:1-6)****D. Walk in Light (5:7-14)****E. Walk in Wisdom (5:15-6:9)****F. Stand Firm in Warfare (6:10-20)****IV. The Epilogue (6:21-24)**