

"Why Is The Church So Blessed Up?" Ephesians 1 September 19, 2021

I. "Why is the church so messed up?" Ever ask yourself this?

- A. Paul certainly had reason to think this.
- B. The uniqueness and theme of the book of *Ephesians*

- III. Verses 4-14 Paul's List Of Spiritual Blessings We Are Given
 A. Vs. 4 "God chose us in him before the foundation of the world..."
 - B. "...to be holy and blameless before him."
 - C. Vs. 5 "In love, he predestined us..."
 - D. Words that Paul uses to describe our salvation:

- C. The point Paul wants to drive home in chapter 1: If you are part of the Lord's Church, then you are part of something that is _______ and ______ beyond your imagination.
- II. Verses 1-3 Some observations
 - A. "Paul, an apostle...by the will of God."
 - B. "To the saints who are in Ephesus..."
 - C. "Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."
 - D. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing..."

- > Adoption
- > Redemption
- > Forgiveness
- > Sealed with the Spirit
- ➤ Heirs

IV. How do I receive this inheritance? And how do I know it is true?