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Ephesians: Part 1



Through the provision of Jesus Christ, God has redeemed and restored us so we might _____ and _____ God with our lives.

The book of Ephesians has two basic themes: how we are redeemed by God and how the redeemed should live.

Ephesians 1:3–14

Our position—we are “in Christ.”

- If we do not know who we are as Christ-followers, we will live far below the blessing and destiny God has for us.
- If we only emphasize that Christ is in us, we define and limit Christ to our reality. If we realize we are “in Christ,” He determines our _____ and _____ all we are.

As Christ-followers...

1. We are _____ by the Father. (Ephesians 1:3–6)

- It is not by accident or chance that we are children of God. He handpicked us to be a part of His family.
2. We are _____ by the Son.
(Ephesians 1:7–12)
- To “redeem” means to purchase and set free by paying a price. (1 Peter 1:18–19)
3. We are _____ by the Holy Spirit.
(Ephesians 1:13–14)
- The sealing of the Holy Spirit is significant as it speaks of...
 - A finished _____.
 - _____—we belong to God.
 - Security and protection.

Your identity doesn't depend on something you do or have done. Your identity is who God says you are and is provided by God's work for you.

Answers: thrive, honor; reality, encompasses; chosen; redeemed; sealed; transaction; Ownership



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