

God's Glorious Grace

Ephesians 1:7-10

Blessed in Christ

Eph 1:3-14 – An Outburst of Adoration!

The Triune God Who Blesses

- Vs. 3-6 The Father
designed & determined to bless us
- Vs. 7-11 The Son
accomplishes it for us and all creation
- Vs. 11-14 The Holy Spirit
applies and guarantees it (vs. 11-14)

Doctrine must lead us to doxology

Understanding must lead us to obedience

Lavish Redemption! (vs. 7-8)

- **Redemption through His blood**

- *to buy* (at a market)

- See I Cor 6:20 – freed from sin in order to be free to serve our new Master

- *to buy out of the market* (not to be returned)

- Gal 3:13; 4:5 – never to be disowned

- *to be freed from obligation, delivered*

- See Ps 103:12; Jer 31:34; I Jn 1:9; Jn 8:36

Free for us ... but at great cost to Jesus!

See I Pet 1:18,19

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- **Riches of His grace lavished on us**
 - Glory of grace (vs. 6)... riches of grace (vs. 7)
immeasurable riches of grace (2:7)
 - Lavished on us: overflowing, abundant,
measureless, boundless, infinite
 - He blesses us not just **out of** His grace,
but **according to** His grace!

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Cosmic Restoration! (vs. 9-10)

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- A secret that can only be known through special revelation from God.
- Aspects of God's great plan and purpose for the world, previously hidden but now made known.

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 - Phil 2:9-11; Col 1:15-18; Rom 8:18-25
 - Cosmic renewal! Rev 21:1-4; 22:3-5

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- **The 'blessed hope' – Titus 2:11-13**

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All I could see was the fog... I think if I could have seen the shore, I would have made it.