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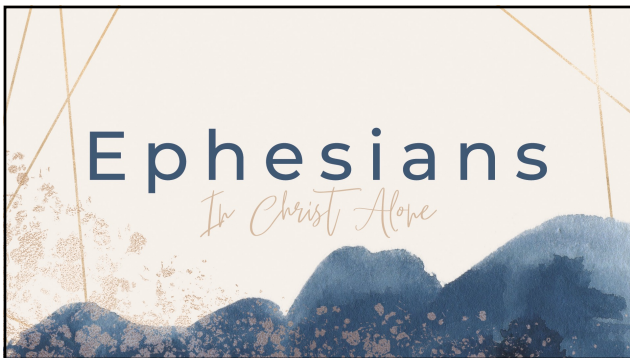
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Ephesians 1:3-14

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The Trinitarian Work in Salvation

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The Father (3-6).  
The Son (7-12).  
The Holy Spirit (13-14).

Ephesians 1:3-14

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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.

Just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him.

*Chosen* Eph 1:3-4

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He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

*Chosen* Eph 1:5-6

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**Chosen by the Father** (1:3-6)

Blessed with every Spiritual Blessing (3).  
 Chosen in Christ before creation (4).  
 Predestined for adoption through Jesus (5).  
 Praise God (6).

*We are not an afterthought*

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In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace which He lavished on us. In all wisdom and insight He made known to us the mystery of His will,

*Redeemed* Eph 1:7-8

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according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him 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.

*Redeemed* Eph 1:9-10

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

*Redeemed* Eph 1:11-12

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**Redemption**

Release from bondage through the payment of a price or ransom. In this case the price is the "blood" of Christ - the sacrifice of his life on the cross on our behalf. The result of redemption is the "forgiveness of sins." Setting us free from slavery to sin was costly. Jesus paid the ransom with his life.

J. Scott Duvall

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### Mystery of his will

Something previously hidden that has now been revealed. It's like a secret, but an open secret for God's people. The mystery cannot be discovered by human wisdom alone. Rather, God has shown his people his master plan to "bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ."

J. Scott Duvall

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### Mystery of his will

Christ is the one in whom God sums up the cosmos. The entire universe was fragmented and scattered by sin. But one day God will restore his universe to unity under one supreme king - Jesus.

J. Scott Duvall

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### In Other Words

The ultimate destiny of the universe now rests in the hands that once were nailed to the cross.

Curtis Vaughan

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**Redeemed by the Son** (7-12)

Redeemed through Christ's blood (7).  
Forgiven through Christ's lavish grace (7-8).  
Mystery Revealed, inheritance obtained (9-11).  
Praise God (12).

*Set free through his lavish grace*

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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, 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.

*Sealed* Eph 1:13-14

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**Sealed by the Holy Spirit** (13-14)

Permanence of our identity & security (13).  
Pledge of our inheritance (14).  
Praise God (14).

*Forever secure in our identity*

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Ephesians 1:3-14

The Triune God **works** in our salvation.

The Gospel is **worth** declaring.

Our response is **worship**.

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Paul's Prayer and Thanksgiving

Thankful for faith in Jesus, love for the saints (15-16).

Wisdom, Revelation, & Enlightenment (17-18).

Ephesians 1:15-22

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Ephesians 2:1-10

Who we were before salvation (1-3).

Who we are in salvation (4-7).

How we are saved (8-9).

Why we are saved (10).

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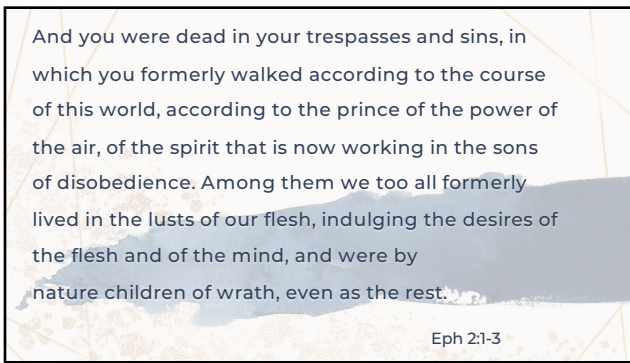
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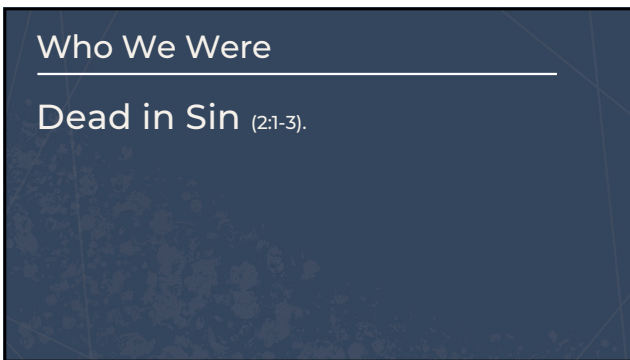
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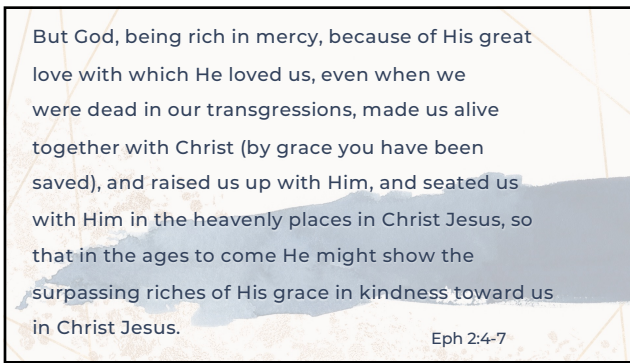
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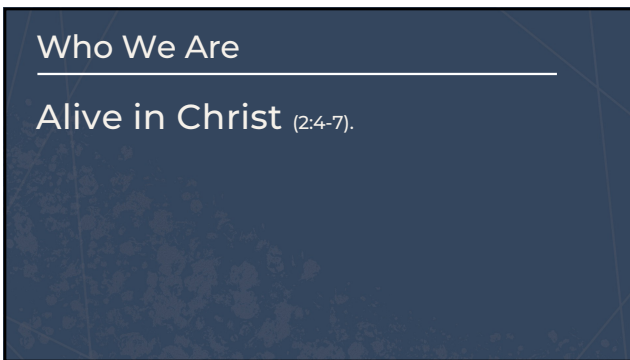
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How We Are

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For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Eph 2:8-9

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How We Are

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By grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone (2:8-9).

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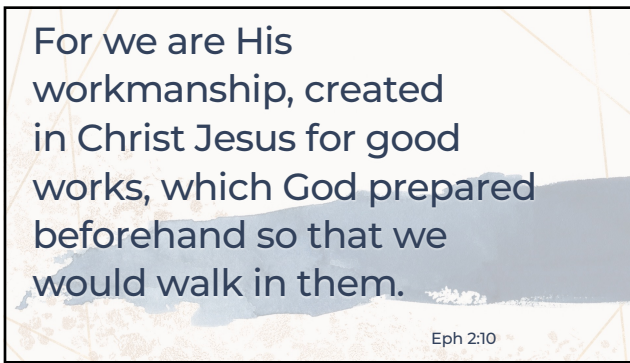
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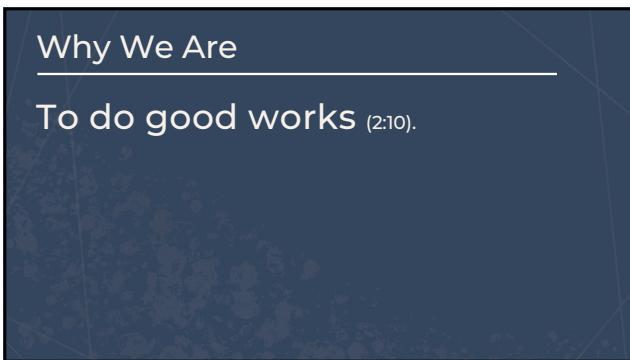
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God in his grace, chose you to be in Christ, sealed by the Holy Spirit to do good works. Praise God!

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**Next Steps**

- I will spend the week in praise of God for his redemptive work in my life.
- I will share the good news of Salvation with someone this week.
- I will take these truths and share them with a younger in faith believer.

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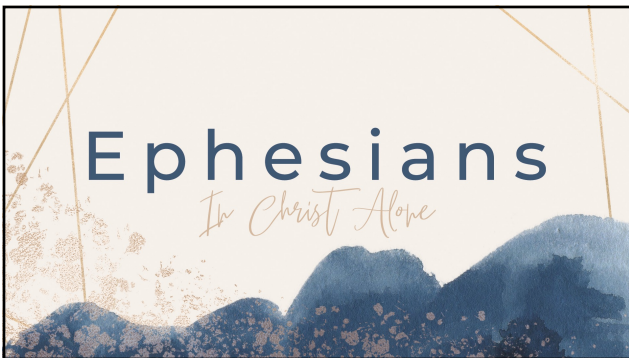
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