

In Part 2: Peanut Shots and The Blessing

Ephesians 1: 3-10

## In Ephesians We Will Discover:

- How to experience a deeper walk with Jesus
- Why you should appreciate your salvation
- How can Jews and non-Jews live together
- How do you know you are filled with the Spirit

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"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4 even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, 8 which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight 9 making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ 10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

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## The 3 Words for Blessing or Blessed in Verse 3:

- "blessed"- εὐλογητός [eulogētos]-only used in reference to God
- "blessed us"- εὐλογήσας (aor.,act.,part.) the implication: something that has happened and completed
- "blessing"-(dative-the person or thing to who something is given or to whom something is done) "with all spiritual blessings"-could be translated "all the blessings of the Spirit."

## A. WE are not blessed with just blessings but God.

- Commit to serving God.
- When I serve Him He lives through me because I live in the blessing: Him.
- Walk in the gravitational pull of God.
- The opportunity to worship God is unlimited

- B. WE can become all that God has because He has given us all He has!
  - Accept God's Design-His design is the way of enablement.
  - The opportunity we have to be used by God is unlimited
- C. Our identity and ability to be all God wants cannot be altered by where we are.
  - Success in our Christian life is not bound by location.
- D. God has initiated and integrated all we need to be released from our lives by what has already been received into our lives through being "in" Christ.

I don't need to receive; I need to:

- Realize I ALREADY have it all "in Him"
- Release I surrender to Jesus and by His power His life and the spiritual blessings need begin to flow out of my life.

We Must Notice The Supremacy of God In The Passage:

- The Worthiness of God He is the blessing
- The Prerogative of God He blessed us
- The Sufficiency of God Everything we need has been given