

## Redeemed and United in the Son

### Inheritance realised — Ephesians 1:7–12 (Part 3)

**Recap** Words to use: chosen, spiritual, blessed, doxology, predestined

Verses 3–14 are in the form of a Jewish \_\_\_\_\_ or prayer.

Verse 3 is a summary: God has \_\_\_\_\_ us with every \_\_\_\_\_ blessing.

In verses 4–6, we learn that God has \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ His people.

#### 1) Identifying the People. WHO is Paul referring to?

Words: first, Jewish, Messiah, Gentile

Paul is not referring to the \_\_\_\_\_ Christians in verse 11.

He is referring to \_\_\_\_\_ Christians.

They were the \_\_\_\_\_ to come to faith in the \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 26:6,7; 20:20.

#### 2) Understanding the Inheritance. WHAT is meant by “obtained an inheritance”?

Words to use: already, obtained, spiritual, made

The word in Greek, can be translated “\_\_\_\_\_ an inheritance” as well as “were \_\_\_\_\_ an inheritance.”

Both meanings are theologically correct. In the context, Paul is speaking about getting \_\_\_\_\_ blessings.

Paul speaks as if this has \_\_\_\_\_ happened.

#### WHAT did the Jews understand about inheritance?

Words: shadow, Messiah, land, law

The Jews understood two inheritances. One was the \_\_\_\_\_, which leads to the Messiah. Deut 33:4

One was the \_\_\_\_\_ promised by God. Exodus 6:8

The land was a \_\_\_\_\_ of something greater to come. The \_\_\_\_\_ Himself is their true inheritance.

#### 3) The Certainty of the Inheritance. HOW can Paul be so sure? And WHAT is the purpose?

Words: glory, will, purpose, predestined

Verse 11 says they were \_\_\_\_\_ according to God’s \_\_\_\_\_.

God works all things according to His \_\_\_\_\_. This leaves no room for praise of man.

Everything is done for the praise of His \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4) The Wider Implications. WHY does Paul single out the Jewish believers?

Words to use: believed, grafted, Gentile, also, same, you, Christ

Verse 13 begins with the words “In Him \_\_\_\_\_ also.” Paul is now including the \_\_\_\_\_ believers.

They have \_\_\_\_\_ and trusted in Christ just as the Jews did.

Their standing before God is the \_\_\_\_\_. Gal 3:28 They have been \_\_\_\_\_ in. Rom 11:17

The inheritance is the same: \_\_\_\_\_ and the earth