



Elgin Evangelical Free Church - October 2, 2022

I. Introduction to Ephesians - 1:1-2

A. Historically

B. Thematically

C. Structurally

D. Practically

II. Praise for the Gifts of The Father! - 1:3-6

A. The Immensity of His Blessing - 1:3-4

*Election - 1:4-5

*Adoption - 1:5

*Redemption and forgiveness - 1:7-8

*Knowledge of God's Plan - 1:9-12

*The gift of the Spirit - 1:13-14

*The Hope of Glory - 1:14

B. The Immensity of His Blessing - 1:3-4

C. The Foundation of His Blessing - 1:5-6

1. His ELECTING choice - *Deut. 7:7-8, Ex. 33:19, Rom. 9:20*

2. His UNINFLUENCED choice - *Eph. 2:8-9, Rom. 8:29, Jn. 6:44*

3. His MYSTERIOUS choice - *Rom. 8:31-39*

Praise for the Gifts of The Father

Ephesians 1:1-6

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Life Group Questions

Icebreaker: When a baby is born into this world, what are the things that he or she does not have control of? or What are the things predetermined for them?

1. What is the connection between 1 Timothy and the book of Ephesians?
2. When you think of the book of Ephesians, what are the themes, ideas, or favorite verses that come to your mind?
3. We have been "blessed with every spiritual blessing" (v.3). What are some spiritual blessings that you are thankful for?
4. God chose you to be "holy and blameless" (v.4). What are some ways you live a holy and blameless life?
5. God predestined us to the "adoption as sons and daughters" (v.5) How do you think and feel about being adopted by God?
6. The foundation of God's blessings is that He chose, predestined and elected us. What are some of the difficult questions that the doctrine of election creates?

7. For these difficult questions, what are some ways they are answered?

What new insight or application have you gained from this passage?