

Colossians 1:27 “To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is **Christ in you**, the hope of glory.”

Ephesians 1:1-14 NIV

**1** “Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,

To the saints in Ephesus, the faithful **in Christ** Jesus:

**2** Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us **in Christ** with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms. **4** For He chose us **in Him** before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless in His presence. In love **5** He predestined us for adoption as His sons through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of His will, **6** to the praise of His glorious grace, which He has freely given us **in the Beloved One.**

**7 In Him** we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace, **8** that He lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. **9** And He has made known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed **in Christ** **10** as a plan for the fullness of time, to bring all things in heaven and on earth together **in Christ.**

**11 In Him** we were also chosen as God’s own, having been predestined according to the plan of Him who works out everything by the counsel of His will, **12** in order that we, who were the first to hope **in Christ,** would be for the praise of His glory.

**13** And **in Him,** having heard and believed the word of truth—the gospel of your salvation—you were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, **14** who is the pledge of our inheritance until the redemption of those who are **God’s possession,** to the praise of His glory.”