**Ephesians**

Chapter 1 The Blessings of Christ through the Spirit

1. Greetings and Declaration (1-6)
2. We are blameless
3. We are predestined for grace
4. We are Redeemed and Given the Promise of the Holy Spirit (7-14)
5. Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Church (25-23)

Summary

The writer uses very formal language as he opens this letter. He begins with the affirmation that through God’s grace, as given by Christ’s death on the cross, we are promised salvation. We are redeemed, and our inheritance as children of God is guaranteed.

Key Message: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Study Questions

1. Which parts of this first chapter sound more like Paul’s message in other letters?
2. What does the thanksgiving and joy expressed in the last segment of the chapter possibly indicate about the Ephesians?
3. Does this letter sound the same or different from the Galatians’ epistle? Why?

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