

Ephesians 1:1-6

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Salutation

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

To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful^[a] in Christ Jesus:

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

Spiritual Blessings in 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 places,^[b] **4** just as he chose us in Christ^[c] before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. **5** He destined us^[d] for adoption as his children^[e] through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, **6** to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

This is the Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God. Amen