

The Ultimate Reason for Thankfulness

Ephesians 1:3-14

(Thanksgiving 2015)

Intro: Jesus' refocusing of His followers in Luke 10:17-20

I. The Father Selected Us vv. 3-6

- A. "Blessed be the God and Father..."
- B. "Every spiritual blessing"
- C. "He chose us in Him before the foundation..."
(2 Thessalonians 2:13, John 6:37, 44, 2 Timothy 1:9)
- D. "In love He predestined us..."
- E. "To the praise of the glory of His grace"
- F. "He made us accepted in the Beloved One."

II. The Son Saved Us vv. 7-12

- A. "In Him we have redemption"
- B. "Through His blood"
- C. "The forgiveness of sins"
- D. "According to the riches of His grace"
- E. "The summing up of all things in Christ"
- F. "In Him also we have obtained an inheritance"

III. The Spirit Sealed Us vv. 13-14

- A. Security
- B. Genuineness
- C. Ownership
- D. Authority
- E. A Finished Transaction