

INEXHAUSTIBLE: THE GRACE WE CAN'T OUTGROW

Eph 1:3-14

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We will never outgrow the inexhaustible blessings of God's grace in Jesus

Five inexhaustible blessings of divine grace those in Christ could never outgrow:

#1 GOD'S GRACIOUS CHOICE: HE *CHOSE* YOU BEFORE YOU EXISTED (3-4c)

You are not an *afterthought* | Reject the lies that you're an accident, random, or unwanted—God wants you

Three wonderful realities about God's choice of His own:

#1 HE MADE A COVENANTAL CHOICE: FOR GOD, THIS IS PERSONAL (4a)

God's choice of you is *relationally bound*; securely interwoven within his most perfectly devoted love

#2 HE MADE AN ETERNAL CHOICE: HE'LL NEVER LOOK BACK OR REGRET IT (4b)

God's choice of you was *totally uninfluenced*—not because of anything or anyone outside of himself

#3 HE MADE A PURPOSEFUL CHOICE: IT MEANS SOMETHING (4c)

God's choice of you will be *ultimately satisfying*—it's going somewhere glorious—bringing you unto himself

#2 GOD'S GRACIOUS CLAIM: HE *CLAIMED* YOU FOR HIMSELF (4d-6)

You *belong* | Rehearse your place in God's family as often as you need—He loves celebrating that you belong

Three inspiring realities about God's claim of His own:

#1 HIS CLAIM WAS WILLING: OUR BELONGING STARTED WITH LOVE; GOD WANTS US (4d)

His claim over you was *love motivated*—no one, not even you, twisted God's arm to initiate his love for you; nor can anyone twist his arm to break it

#2 HIS CLAIM IS WELCOMING: OUR BELONGING IS KEPT BY LOVE; GOD WANTS US *WITH HIM* (5a)

His claim over you is *love bound*—God isn't keeping us at a distance, He's removed the gap in a way that is shockingly intimate

#3 HIS CLAIM IS WONDEROUS: OUR BELONGING ENDS IN LOVE; GOD WANTS US WITH HIM *FOR GOOD* (5b-6)

His claim over you is *love inducing*—God's plan for blessing us with his gracious love is that it overflows in a love response of worship

#3 GOD'S GRACIOUS CLEANSING: HE *CLEANSED* YOU ENTIRELY (7-8a)

Who you were is not who you are | Walk in full freedom & put it to good use

Three moving realities about God's cleansing of His own:

#1 THIS CLEANSING IS NECESSARY FOR OUR GOOD: WE NEED IT (7b)

His cleansing is something *desperately needed*—since righteousness demands justice against sin; this is the only way sinners can escape eternal judgment

#2 THIS CLEANSING WAS COSTLY TO ACCOMPLISH: JESUS DIED TO MAKE IT HAPPEN (7a)

His cleansing was *painfully achieved*—it required atonement at the great cost of his own son's sacrificial death

#3 HIS CLEANSING IS GENEROUSLY APPLIED: THOSE WASHED IN CHRIST HAVE GOT NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT (7c-8a)

His cleansing is *abundantly sufficient*—His forgiveness is not stingy; it's lavishly given in line with such grace

#4 GOD'S GRACIOUS CALL: HE CALLED YOU FOR SOMETHING GLORIOUS (8b-12)

You are part of something bigger, *much bigger* | Cheer on God's plan & keep digging into what it means

Two encouraging realities about God's call of His own:

#1 HIS CALL IS ALL-ENCOMPASSING: WE ARE CALLED UNTO GOOD AS PART OF GOD'S UNSTOPPABLE MASTER PLAN FOR THE UNIVERSE (8b-10)

His call of us is *totally secure*—it factors in everything & will never be upset by unforeseen variables not being taken into account

#2 HIS CALL IS INCOMPARABLE: NO OTHER GLORY COMES CLOSE TO WHAT HE HAS IN STORE FOR THOSE HE'S CALLED TO HIMSELF (11-12)

His call of us is *eternally worthwhile*—there's no reward that can compare with what lays ahead in God's plan for his own

#5 GOD'S GRACIOUS COMMITMENT: HE IS COMMITTED TO YOU (13-14)

Your eternally blessed future is so secure; *it's as good as done* | Cherish the seal and await the return

Two awesome realities about God's commitment of His own:

#1 HIS COMMITMENT SHOWS PRACTICALLY: JESUS' PROMISE TO SAVE IS CLAIMED THROUGH A GENUINE FAITH-RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL (13)

His commitment is *personally appropriated*—salvation doesn't happen against our will; it transforms it

#2 HIS COMMITMENT IS SECURE ETERNALLY: GOD KEEPS ALL HIS PROMISES; THERE IS NO GREATER GUARANTEE HE COULD OFFER US THAN HIMSELF (14)

His commitment is *supernaturally guaranteed*—what God starts, he finishes—we can take God at his word