

God's Free Gift of Adoption

Ephesians 1:1-14 Personalized

1. **I**, _____, am one of God's holy people, so Paul's letter is written to **me**, _____. **I**, _____, am a faithful follower of Christ Jesus.
2. **I**, _____, receive grace and peace from God, who is **my** (_____ 's) heavenly Father. **I**, _____, also receive grace and peace from the Lord Jesus Christ, who is God's Son and **my** (_____ 's) Savior and Lord.
3. **I**, _____, give all praise to God, the Father of my Lord Jesus Christ, because **He** has blessed **me**, _____, with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *realms* because **I**, _____, am united with Christ and I am in Christ.
4. Even before He made the world, God loved **me**, _____, and He chose **me**, _____, in Christ so that **I**, _____, could be holy and without fault in His eyes when **I**, _____, am before Him in love.
5. God decided in advance to adopt **me**, _____, into His own family. He did this by bringing **me**, _____, to Himself through Jesus Christ. This is what God wanted to do, and it gives Him great pleasure to have **me**, _____, in His family.
6. So **I**, _____, praise God for the glorious grace He has poured out on **me**, _____, so that now **I**, _____, belong to His dear Son.
7. God is so rich in kindness and grace that He redeemed **me** (_____); that is, He purchased **my** (_____ 's) freedom with the blood of His Son, Jesus. He also forgave **me**, _____, all **my** (_____ 's) sins.
8. God has showered His kindness on **me**, _____, and has poured out all wisdom and understanding on **me**, _____.
9. God has now revealed to **me**, _____, His mysterious plan regarding Christ, a plan to fulfill God's own good pleasure.
10. And this is the plan: At the right time God will bring everything together under the authority of Christ—everything in heaven and on earth.
11. Furthermore, because **I**, _____, am in Christ, **I**, _____, have received an inheritance from God, because He chose **me**, _____, in advance, and He makes everything work out according to His plan.
12. God's purpose was that the Jews, who were the first to trust in Christ would bring praise and glory to God.
13. And now **I**, _____, as a Gentile, have also heard the truth, the Good News that God saves **me**, _____. And when **I**, _____, believed in Christ, He identified **me**, _____, as His own (that is, He put His seal of ownership on **me**, _____) by giving **me**, _____, the Holy Spirit, whom He promised long ago.
14. The Holy Spirit is God's down-payment on the full inheritance He has promised **me** (_____) and it is His guarantee that He has purchased **me** (_____) to be His own child. **I**, _____, will praise and glorify Him for doing this for **me**, _____.

Today I accept God's free gift of adoption into His family forever through Jesus Christ His Son, my Savior and Lord.