



Chosen

Ephesians 1.4

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¹¹ In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, ¹² in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. ¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

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John Stott:

1. The source and sphere of these blessings (v.3)
2. The past blessing of election (vv.4-6)
3. The present blessing of adoption (vv.5-8)
4. The future blessing of unification (vv.9-10)
5. The scope of these blessings (vv.11-14)

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