

**Who Am I Part 5**  
EPHESIANS 1:9-14  
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**Review:**

- #1 GOD CHOSE US TO BE HOLY AND BLAMELESS (SAINTS)
- #2 GOD HAS ADOPTED ME INTO HIS FAMILY
- #3 WE ARE REDEEMED AND FORGIVEN

**Blessing #4 GOD HAS SHOWN US THE MYSTERY OF HIS WILL (A sacred secret)**

**OUR CHOICE – TO HOPE IN CHRIST?**

*“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, in order that we, how ere the first to hope in Christ might be for the praise of His glory.*

OUR CHOICE – TO HEAR THE WORD

OUR CHOICE – TO BELIEVE/TRUST – or NOT

**GOD’S CHOICE – IS ACTIVATED IN OUR LIVES DEPENDING ON OUR’S  
THESE 7 BLESSINGS OF HIGHLY ELECTED PEOPLE ARE GOD’S CHOICE**

**Blessing #5** Ephesians 1:11 *“In Him we were **chosen** having been predestined according to the plan of Him who works out everything in conformity with His will.”*

**I AM CHOSEN FOR AN (AS AN) INHERITANCE**

Chosen can have two meanings:

- Chosen for an inheritance.
- Chosen as an inheritance.
- Lean too far one way and you end up with fatalism
- Lean too far the other way you end up with humanism

You can’t blend them, you can’t bend them you have to balance them.

**Blessing #6** Ephesians 1:13 *“And you also were **included in Christ** when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of salvation.”*

**I AM INCLUDED IN CHRIST**

**“Included in Christ” means: I’m part of the “in crowd”**

“The guest list”... the real important list is “Christ’s List”

**Blessing #7** Ephesians 1:14 *“Having believed, you are marked in Him with **a seal**, the promised **Holy Spirit**, who is a deposit who guarantees our inheritance until the redemption of those **who are God’s own possession**.”*

**I HAVE THE GUARANTEE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

Two pictures of the work of the Holy Spirit in this verse:

**1. The Holy Spirit is a seal who marks us.**

**A seal indicates:**

- Completion
- Ownership
- Authority
- Authenticity

**2. The Holy Spirit is a deposit who guarantees our inheritance.**

He is the earnest money guaranteeing this transaction!

2 Timothy 2 says in *“If we are faithless He remains faithful for He cannot deny Himself.”* If I struggle with my faith sometimes the Bible says God’s going to remain faithful to me because He’s put His Holy Spirit into my life. And He can’t deny Himself. That’s pretty secure.

*“The deposit [that God’s put into our lives] is there until the redemption of God’s own possession.”* **That’s us.**

The Holy Spirit in our lives is saying to us, “Someday God’s going to come through with full payment and that full payment is heaven. That full payment is a new body est...”