



OUR IDENTITY
Ephesians 1:1-14

- 1 How does the use of the word “saints” in verse 1 differ from the way that word is typically used in today’s religious society?
- 2 How does verse 3 describe the unique blessings to be enjoyed by believers?
- 3 Unpack these truths found in verse 5:
 - Predestination:
 - For adoption:
 - Sons:
 - According to the purpose of his will:
- 4 What was the cultural relevance of the concept of “redemption” (v. 7) in the first century world of the Ephesians?
- 5 How is the “mystery of God’s will” (v. 9) clearer to us in New Testament times than it was to those in the Old Testament?
- 6 What is the difference between the “we” of v. 12 and the “you” of v. 13?
- 7 How does verse 13 outline the steps of faith?
- 8 What does it mean that the Holy Spirit “seals” the believer (v. 13)?
- 9 How does the “guarantee” (v. 14) further reinforce the work of the Holy Spirit in sealing us?

APPLY THE LESSON

How do the truths of this passage help us to operate more effectively as part of the church of Jesus Christ?