



# HTC SMALL GROUP

## *Discussion Questions*

**Sermon Title:** The Riches of God's Grace

**Sermon Date:** February 28, 2016

**Scripture:** Ephesians 1:1-14

**Speaker:** Pastor Rod Randall

1. When you think of a saint, what do you think of? We've heard it said of someone, "He's no saint." How does the popular view of a "saint" vary from what the Bible teaches?
2. If you saw yourself first and foremost as a saint, how might it change your self-image, your behavior?
3. The Bible often speaks of the peace that is ours in Christ Jesus. When do you have it? When don't you? Any helpful hints on how to rest in God's peace?
4. Come up with a list of the spiritual blessings we have in the Lord.
5. Verse 4 speaks of God choosing us. Verse 5 says the Lord predestined us to be His. Do you struggle with this concept? Talk this out in groups of 2 or 3.
6. If God's part is to choose, what's ours?
7. Can you share a first hand experience with adoption? Why is adoption a special, and even sacrificial, expression of love?
8. Have you ever redeemed anything? How did that compare to "redemption through His blood" described in verses 7 and 14?
9. What are ways you've experienced the "riches of God's grace"?
10. Verses 1-14 often refer to praise (Vs. 3, 6, 12, 14). How can praising God become a bigger part of your life?
11. Pastor Rod told the story of a wedding ring bearer who carried a sign that read, "It's finally time." He compared this not only to the Lord's coming, but also our response to His grace. Which of the two really speaks to you?