## Ephesians 1:3-14 (NIV)

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has ...

- ... blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. 4 For he
- ... chose us in **him** before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in **his** sight. In love <sup>5</sup> **he**
- ... predestined us for
- ... adoption to sonship through **Jesus Christ**, in accordance with **his** pleasure and will— <sup>6</sup> to the praise of **his** glorious grace, which **he** has freely
- ... given us in the **One** he loves. <sup>7</sup> In **him** we have
- ... redemption through **his** blood, the
- ... forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace 8 that he
- ... lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, 9 he
- ... made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, <sup>10</sup> to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to
- ... bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under **Christ**. <sup>11</sup> 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, <sup>12</sup> in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of **his** glory. <sup>13</sup> 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**, <sup>14</sup> **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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