

Series: Ephesians: Our Life In Christ (ONLINE WEEK 2)

Sermon: Jackpot! (part 3)

**Passage: Ephesians 1:7-10**

Illustration:

Need: God the Son deserves our never ending praise because He laid down His life to provide for our redemption and forgiveness, so that we might be adopted into the family of God!

### I. Redeemed by the Son (1:6-7a)

- “Redemption” to buy back; to pay a price in order to secure release; to liberate; to ransom.
- 1 Cor. 6:20 - we are bought with a price
- Present and future redemption - we have it (Eph. 1:7) and we wait for it (Rom. 8:23). Same with our adoption - we are adopted and we are awaiting our adoption.
- “through his blood” the currency of our redemption.
- Acts 20:28; Luke 22:20; Rom. 3:25; Rom. 5:9; Col. 1:20; Heb. 9:12; 1 Pet. 1:18-19; 1 John 1:7; Rev. 1:5; Rev. 5:9
- “forgiveness” the act of freeing from obligation, guilt, or punishment; cancellation; expiation.
- Rom. 3:24-26; Isa. 53:6
- “our trespasses” (lit. to take a false step) a violation of moral standards; offense; wrongdoing; sin.
- Compared to the holy perfection of God we find ourselves utterly and hopelessly sinful.
- Psalms 32:1-2

### II. Lavished by Grace (1:7b-8)

- This great act of grace did not exhaust God’s supply, but rather it demonstrates the extent to which God is willing to go for us.
- Rom. 8:32
- “which he lavished upon us” God causes His grace to be poured out on us in Abundance
- John 10:10
- “in all wisdom and insight” - Chuck Swindoll said “God’s timing is perfect, His plan impeccable, and His purposes unimpeachable.”

### III. Brought into the Loop (1:9-10)

- God has made known to us, who are in Christ, what has previously been hidden about His will.
- God is bringing unity to all things, in Christ, in the fullness of time - again, both now and yet to come.

### IV. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

- We have been ransomed from slavery to sin!
- We have been forgiven of our sins!
- We have an unlimited supply of God’s grace!
- We are right where God wants us to be!
- We get to experience the fulfillment of His purposes both now and in the future!