

# Ephesians: Unsearchable riches of Christ

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## Study 2: Count your blessings

**READ** Ephesians 1:3-14, Luke 17:11-19 and **LISTEN** to Pastor Craig Baxter's [sermon](#).

Having introduced himself and provided a general greeting (vv. 1-2), Paul immediately breaks out in what we might call a song of praise to God for all the Lord's rich blessings He has bestowed upon the believer in Christ. Starting from verse three Paul does not draw breath until v. 14, where he closes off his one-sentence (in the Greek) adoration of God, with the third pronouncement of "praise of his glory" (vv. 6, 12, 14). In this lesson we explore the multitude blessings given to the children of God and learn what the right response should always be.

**Main lesson:** The blessed person has received God's best in Christ and gives back their best in praise

### Questions:

1. What is the great failure of humanity from Romans 1:21 and how might Christ have reversed this failure?
2. What do vv. 3-14 say about worship? How does this move you to praise God?
3. How does vv. 3-14 contribute to your understanding of the Trinity?
4. A. What do you think is a "spiritual blessing" (v. 3) and how does this differ from an earthly blessing?

B. What might be the spiritual blessings listed in vv. 3-14?

C. What more could the Lord have given to us? Do we ever have reason to doubt our circumstances or provisions that we have in any given situation?

D. Does God promise earthly health, wealth, and prosperity? From scripture, what does God promise for the believer?

5. How might the obtainment of "every spiritual blessing" impact our earthly life right now?
6. What does heavenlies (literally) or 'heavenly places' mean (v. 3)?
7. From Luke 17:11-19, why do you think the one leper returned and the other nine did not? What do you learn from this?
8. What has been the biggest takeaway from this lesson and how might you apply this?

### STOP AND PRAY:

**Praise:** God who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places

**Thank:** the Lord for His abundant kindness to you, though an undeserving sinner

**Pray:** that you would live a life of worship to God in every thought, word, and deed