

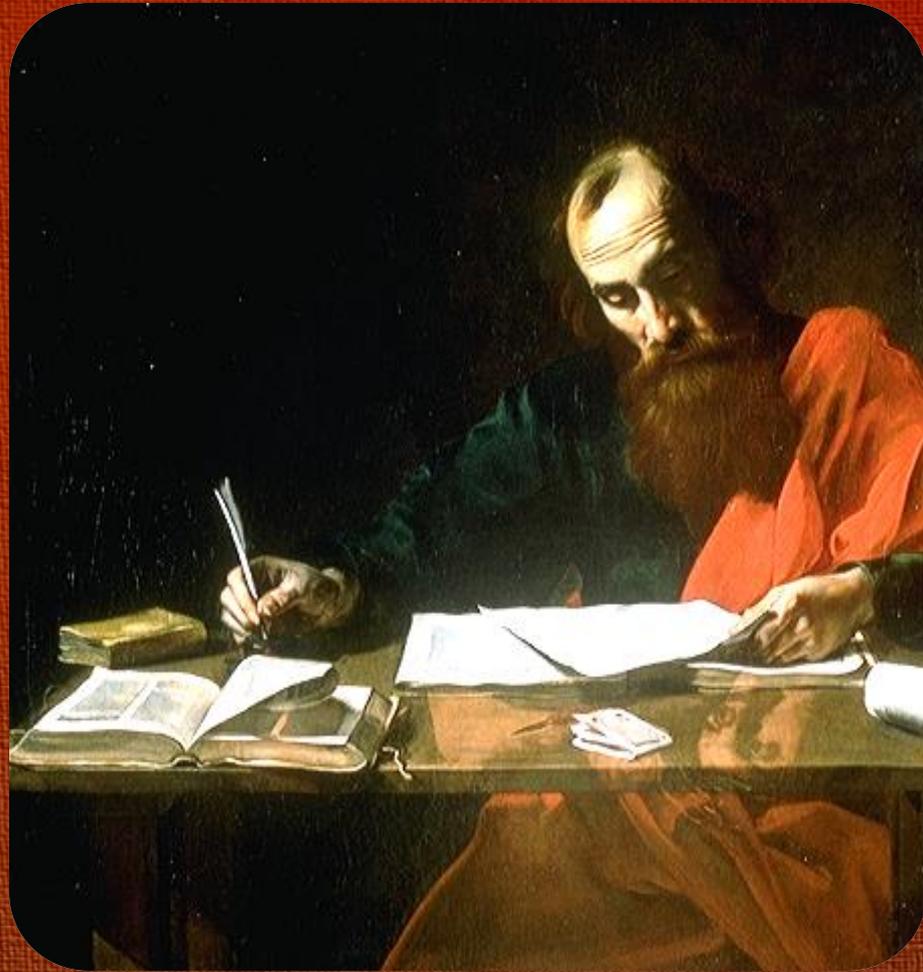


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The Book of Ephesians part 2

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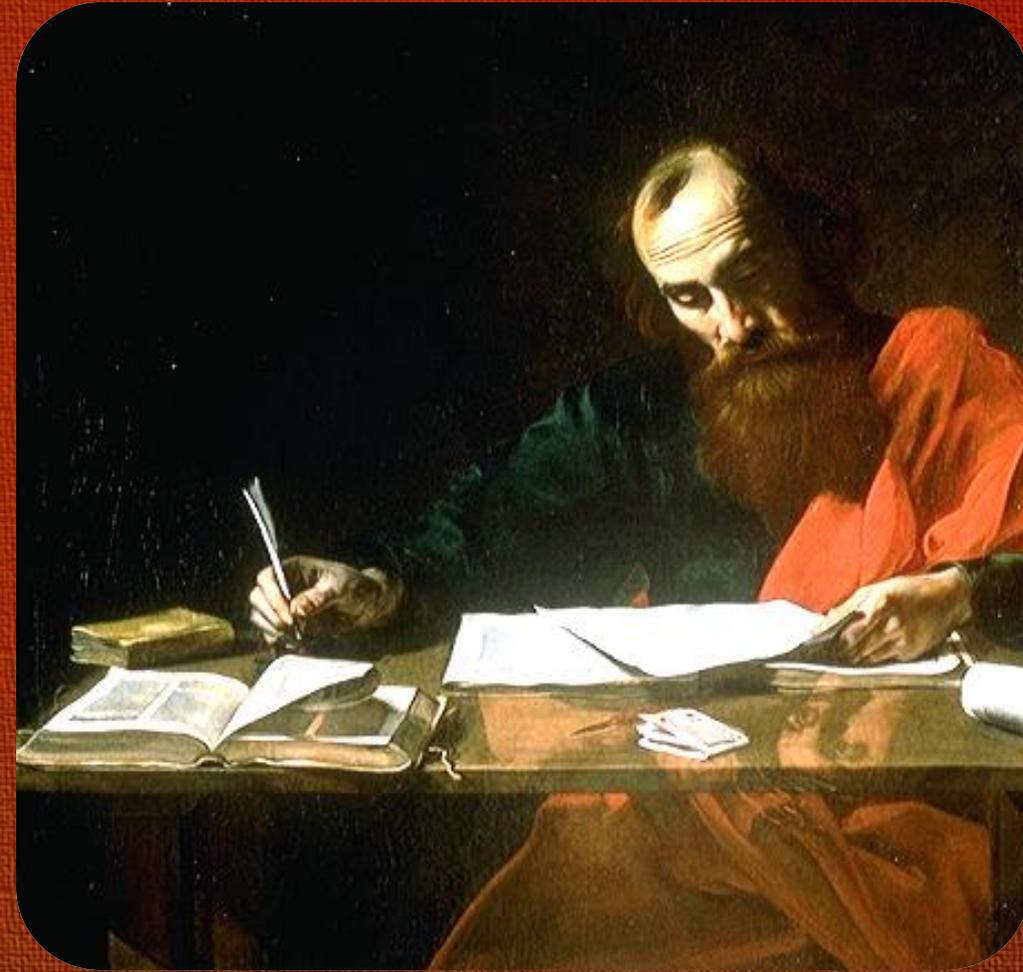
Paul From Rome to the Ephesians



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To the “Faithful”

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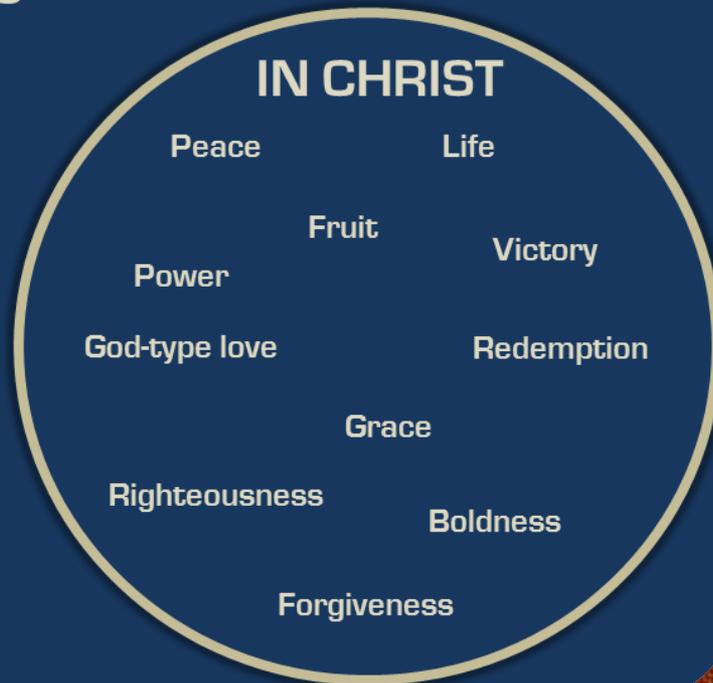
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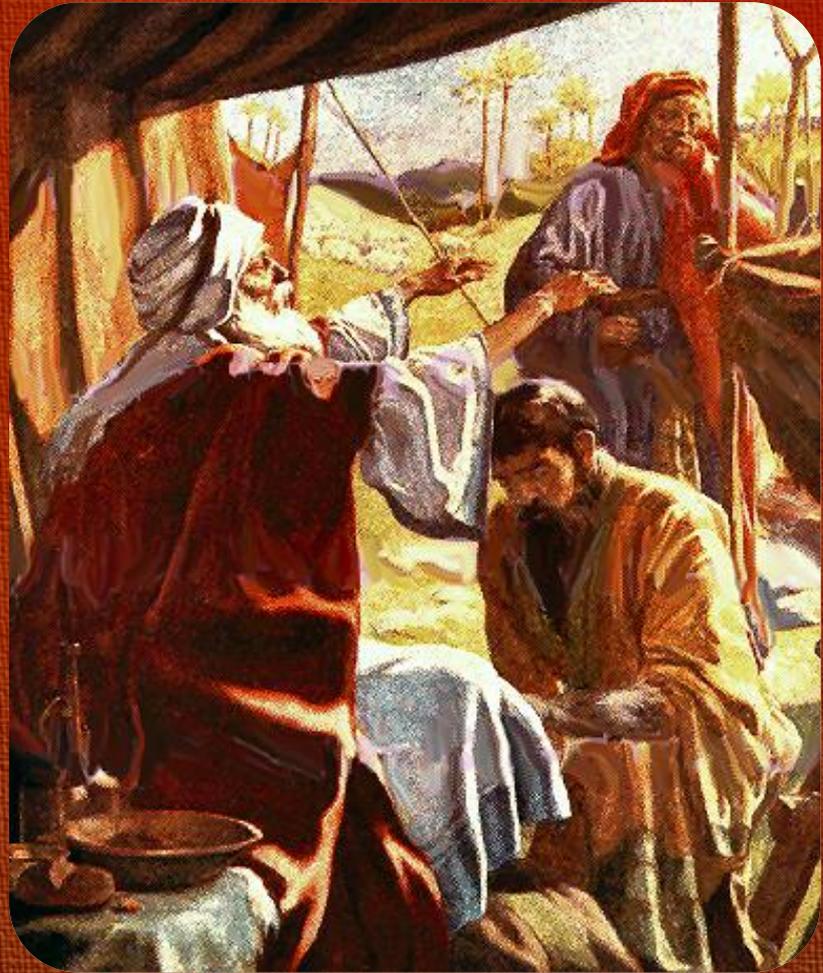
When in Him,
the things in Him are ours

In sin



- 3 ¶ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath **blessed us with all spiritual blessings** in heavenly places in Christ:

The Spiritual is greater than the Natural



Genesis 27:26 And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.

27 And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his raiment, **and blessed him**, and said, See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which the LORD hath blessed:

28 Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine:

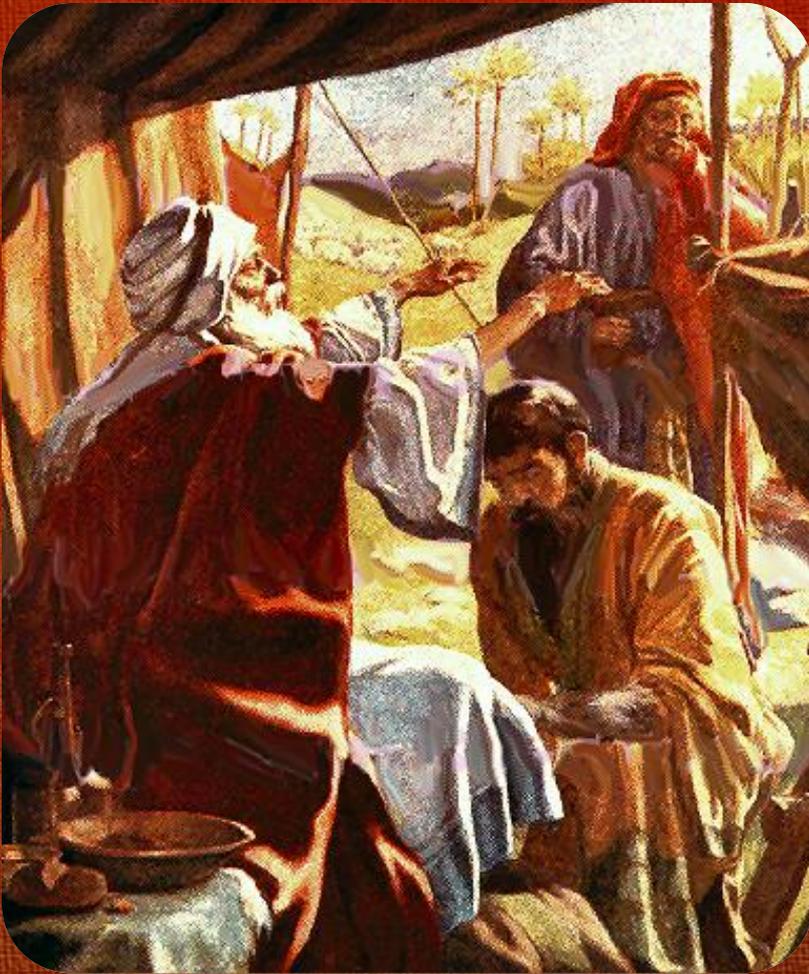
29 Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: cursed be every one that curseth thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee.

The Spiritual preceeds the Natural!



- Genesis 30:43 And the man increased exceedingly, and had much cattle, and maidservants, and menservants, and camels, and asses.

The Spiritual Blessing

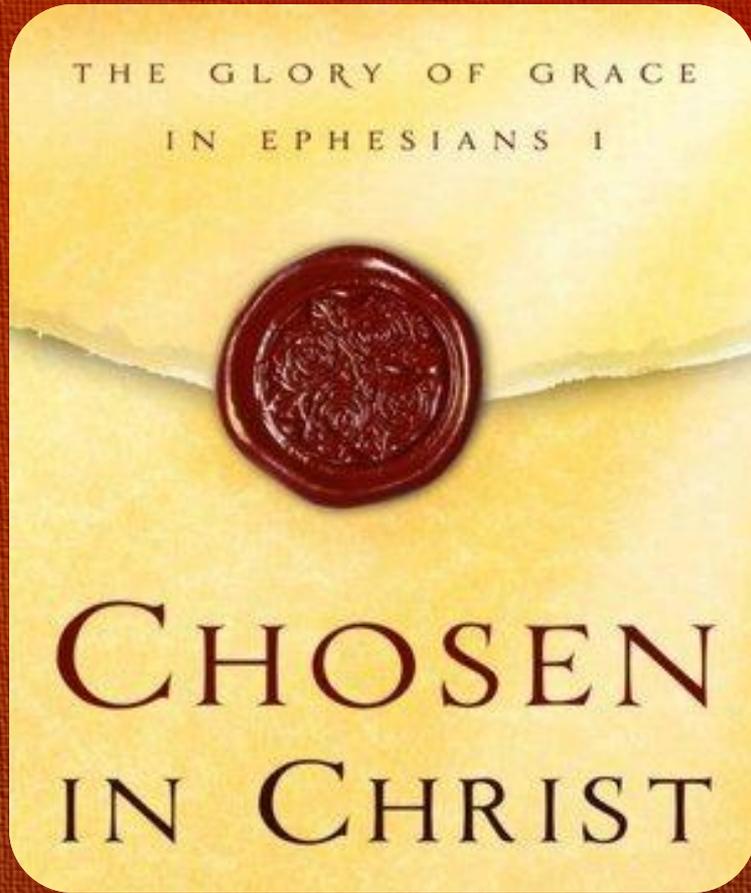


- Is about Gods favor;
- Gods abiding Presence,
- Gods lifelong Guidance

- And future Inheritance!

Then he blessed Joseph and said, "May the God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked, the God *who has been my shepherd all my life to this day,*

Chosen us IN HIM!..



- Ephesians 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:
- 5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

There are two keys to understanding these two verses are the words us, in him, and in himself

The Adoption as Sons

IN LOVE
HE PREDESTINED US
FOR ADOPTION
AS SONS THROUGH
JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO THE PURPOSE
OF HIS WILL
TO THE PRAISE OF HIS
GLORIOUS GRACE

EPHESIANS 1:5

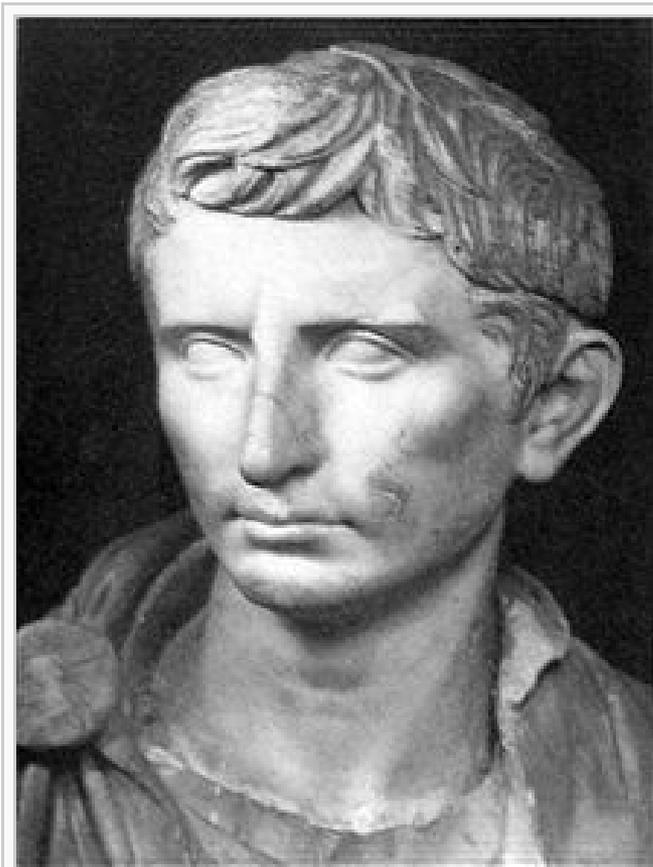
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Adoption in ancient Rome

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

In [ancient Rome](#), [adoption](#) of boys was a fairly common procedure, particularly in the upper [senatorial](#) class. The need for a male [heir](#) and the expense of raising [children](#) and the Roman inheritance rules (*Falcidia lex*) strictly demanding [legitimes](#) were strong incentives to have at least one son, but not too many children. Adoption, the obvious solution, also served to cement ties between families, thus fostering and reinforcing alliances. Adoption of girls, however, was much less common.

In the [Imperial period](#), the system also acted as a mechanism for ensuring a smooth [succession](#), the [emperor](#) taking his chosen successor as his adopted son.



Possibly the most famous Roman adoptee, [Augustus](#) first Emperor of the Roman Empire 📄

Accepted in the beloved

God made us
accepted in the

Beloved

Ephesians 1:6

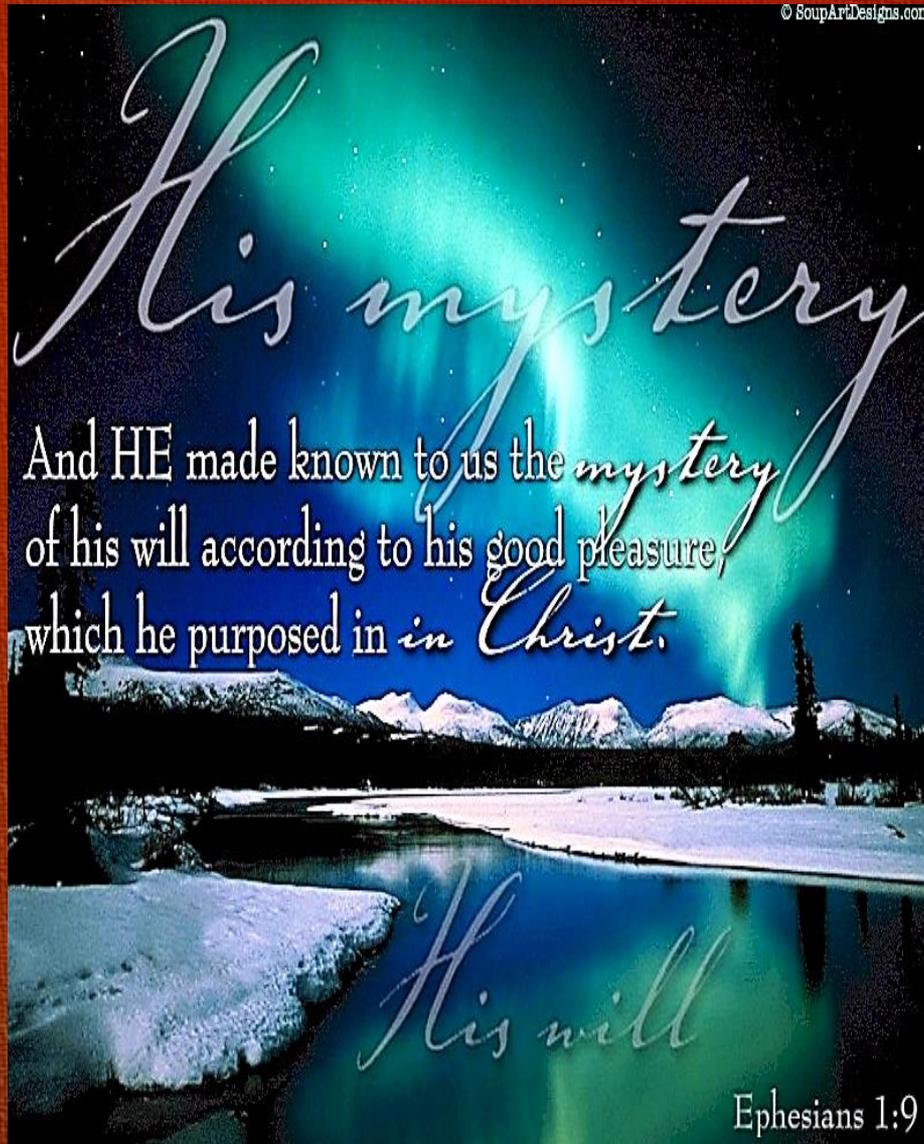
- Ephesians 1:6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us **accepted in the beloved.**
- Matthew 12:18 Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; **my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased:** I will put my spirit upon him, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.

Redemption through his blood



- Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;
- 8 Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;

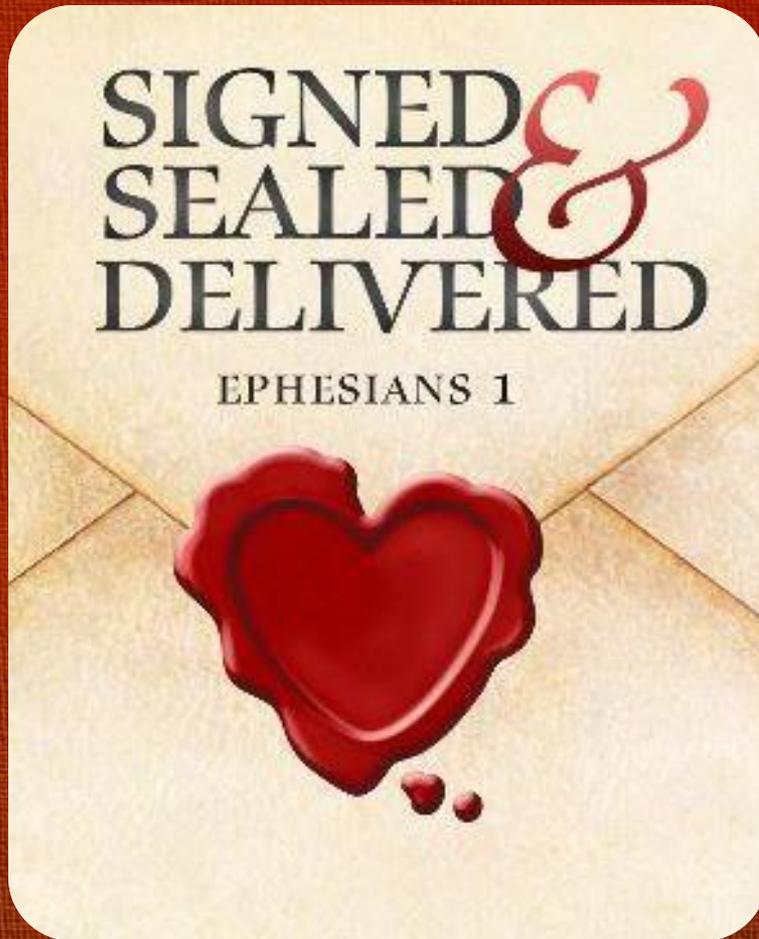
The Mystery of his will



Ephesians 1:9 **Having made known unto us the mystery of his will,** according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

Sealed with the spirit of Promise!



Ephesians 1:11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

12 That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

14 Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.