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1 Pet. 1:2 (NLT)

1. THE FATHER _____

God the Father knew you and chose you long ago.

1 Pet. 1:2a

Even before I was born, God chose me and called me by his marvelous grace. Then it pleased him to reveal his Son to me.

Gal. 1:15-16 (NLT)

Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes.

Eph. 1:4 (NLT)

God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

Eph. 1:5 (NLT)

2. THE SPRIT OF GOD _____

His Spirit has made you holy.

1 Pet. 1:2b

Humans give life to their children. Yet only God's Spirit can change you into a child of God.

John 3:6 (CEV)

Because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, "Abba, Father."

Gal. 4:6 (NLT)

The Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom... We all show the Lord's glory, and we are being changed to be like him.

2 Cor. 3:17-18 (NCV)

Give up your old way of life with all its bad habits. Let the Spirit change your way of thinking and make you into a new person. You were created to be like God, and so you must please him and be truly holy.

Eph. 4:22-24 (CEV)

3. THE SON OF GOD _____

As a result, you have obeyed him and have been cleansed by the blood of Jesus Christ.

1 Pet. 1:2c

In Christ we are set free by the blood of his death, and so we have forgiveness of sins. How rich is God's grace, which he has given to us so fully and freely.

Eph. 1:7-8 (NCV)

For now we are all children of God through faith in Jesus Christ, and we who have been baptized into union with Christ are enveloped by him.

Gal. 3:26-27 (LB)

This is what God told us: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life, but whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

1 John 5:11-12

4. TOGETHER, THEY _____

May God give you more and more grace and peace.

1 Pet. 1:2d

You were cleansed; you were made holy; you were made right with God by calling on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

1 Cor. 6:11 (NLT)

You didn't choose me. I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce lasting fruit, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask for, using my name.

John 15:16 (NLT)

We are sure that we live in union with God and that he lives in union with us, because he has given us his Spirit. And we have seen and tell others that the Father sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.

1 John 4:13-14 (GN)

If we declare that Jesus is the Son of God, we live in union with God and God lives in union with us.

1 John 4:15 (GN)

As we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world.

1 John 4:17 (NLT)