

# Our Foundations

Ephesians 1- 3

Summarized from the Greek New Testament  
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# Ephesians 1

Ephesians 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,

God...

Chose us to be holy  
Adopted us.  
Redeemed us  
Forgave us  
Educated us on His great mystery  
Energizes us.  
Seals us by the Holy Spirit  
Grants us wisdom  
Let's us know Him

He opens our eyes to...  
the eternal hope He invited us to  
the richness of His inheritance  
the extreme greatness of His power

He raised Jesus...  
from death  
over all powers  
over all ages

So Jesus Christ...  
Has all things subjected to Him.  
Is the head of the church  
Treats the church as His body

# Ephesians 2

We were miserably dying, stuck in our self-consumed lives, our fatal compulsions and longings.

But God, rich in mercy and love,  
With Christ, He makes us alive!  
With Christ, He raises us from death!  
With Christ, He seats us in the supraheavens!

By Christ, He shows the wealth of His grace.  
By Christ, He rescues us while our efforts fail.  
By Christ, we were created as masterpieces.  
By Christ, we walk in the beauty God prepared for us.

By the blood of Christ, we are changed from  
hopeless vagrants to eternal citizens of His kingdom.

Jesus Christ ...  
Is our peace – if we trust Him.  
Is our unity – if we obey Him.

He'll destroy the cultural walls that segregate us.  
He'll transcend the religious laws that imprison us.  
He'll transform the divisive two into a peaceful one.  
He'll heal our hearts and crucify our hatred.

Is our peace – whether we've been near or far.  
Is our access – through the Spirit to the Father.

We...  
Become fellow citizens of the same kingdom.  
Become brothers and sisters in the same family.  
Become a temple built on an ancient foundation – with Christ as the cornerstone.

# Ephesians 3

We ...

Are empowered

To hear the mysteries hidden from the ages.

To see Christ's riches beyond exploration.

To show God's wisdom to the non-earthly powers.

To know that Christ fulfills the purpose of it all.

So God the Father...

Is worthy of my worship.

Is the example for every father.

Is the source of all inner power

Intends Christ to live within us — On a foundation made of love.

Enables us to explore His breadth and length and height and depth.

To know the love that is beyond knowing

To have the fullness that comes only from God.

Eph 3:20-21 Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, <sup>(21)</sup> to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.