

Eph 1:3-14

V. 3

Εὐλογητὸς

Blessed, praised, cf. 2 Cor 1:3, 1 Pet. 1:3

One who is worthy of praise of commendation, used only of God in Bible.

εὐλογήσας

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fr. εὐλογεω

bestow a favor, provide with benefits

provide benefits, often with the implication of certain supernatural factors involved, to act kindly toward, to bless

εὐλογία

act or benefit of blessing, as benefit bestowed by God or Christ

that which is bestowed or given as a blessing or benefit, gift

πνευματικῇ

having to do with the Divine Spirit, caused by, filled with or corresponding to the Divine Spirit

derived from or about the Spirit, in reference to such matters as gifts, benefits, teachings, blessings, etc.

ἐπουρανίους

pertaining to being associated with the location of transcendent things and beings, in heaven, heavenly

V. 4

ἐξελέξατο

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fr. ἐκλεγω

to make a choice in accordance with significant preference, select someone for oneself to make a choice of one or more possible alternatives, to choose, to select, to prefer

καταβολῆς

act of laying something down, with implication of providing a base for something, foundation, cf. Jn 17:24, 1 Pt. 1:20

creation, particularly of the world, with focus upon the beginning phase

ἁγίους

being dedicated or consecrated to the service of God, consecrated to God, holy, pure, reverent, cf. 5:27, Col. 1:22, 1 Pet. 1:15

devout, godly, dedicated, consecrated, holy, pure, having superior moral qualities from God

ἀμώμους

pertaining to being without fault and therefore morally blameless, cf. 5:27, Col 1:22, Phil 2:15, 2 Pet 3:14
faultless, blameless, perfect

V. 5

προορίσας

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fr. προορίζω

decide on beforehand, predetermine, come to a decision beforehand, determine ahead of time, decide on ahead of time, cf. v. 11

υιοθεσίαν

adoption, of those who believe in Christ and are accepted by God as God's children to formally and legally declare that someone who is not one's own child is henceforth to be treated and cared for as one's own child, including complete rights of inheritance

εὐδοκίαν

state or condition of being favored, favor, good pleasure, referring to persons upon whom divine favor rests
that which pleases someone, 'according to what pleases him.'

θελήματος

the act of willing or desiring, subjective sense, will, cf. vv. 1, 9, 11; 5:17
that which is desired or wished for, that which is purposed, intended or willed, will, intent, purpose, plan

V. 6

ἔπαινον

the act of expressing admiration or approval, praise, approval, recognition
to speak of the excellence of a person, to praise

δόξης

the glory, majesty, sublimity of God in general, cf. v. 12, 14, 28; 3:16
splendor, amazing greatness, honor, praise, etc.

χάριτος

beneficent disposition toward someone, favor, grace, gracious care/help, goodwill,
practical application of goodwill, that which one grants to another, not obligatory

ἐχαρίτωσεν

AAI3sg

fr. χαριτωω

to cause to be the recipient of a benefit, bestow favor on, favor highly, bless
to show kindness to someone, with the implication of graciousness on the part of the one showing such kindness

ἠγαπημένω

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fr. ἀγαπαω

to have warm regard for and interest in another, cherish, have affection for, love, cf. 5:2
to have love for someone, to regard with affection, loving concern, love

V. 7

ἀπολύτρωσιν

release from a captive condition, release, redemption, deliverance, acquittal, the state of being redeemed
to release or set free, with the implied analogy to the process of freeing a slave, to liberate, liberation

διὰ

marker of instrumentality or circumstance whereby something is accomplished or effected, by, via, through, of the work of Christ, through His blood
marker of the means by which one event makes another event possible, by means of

αἵματος

blood as constituting the life of an individual, lifeblood, blood and life as an expiatory sacrifice, esp the blood of Christ
death as result of violence or execution, in speaking of the death of Christ, there is no doubt an additional component...sacrificial death

ἄφεσιν

the act of freeing from an obligation, guilt, or punishment, pardon, cancellation, forgiveness
to remove the guilt resulting from wrongdoing, to pardon, to forgive, forgiveness

παραπτωμάτων

violation of moral standards, offense, wrongdoing, sin, of offenses against God
what a person has done in transgressing the will and law of God by some false step or failure

πλοῦτος

plentiful supply of something, a wealth, abundance
a high point on any scale and having the implication of value as well as abundance, great, abundant, cf. 1:18

V. 8

ἐπερίσσευσεν

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fr. περισσευω

to cause something to exist in abundance, to cause to abound
to provide in abundance

σοφία

the capacity to understand and function accordingly, wisdom, transcendent wisdom that God imparts to those who are close to God

φρονήσει

the ability to understand, understanding, insight, intelligence
the ability to understand, as the result of insight and wisdom, capacity to understand, being wise

V. 9

γνωρίσας

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fr. γνωρίζω

to cause information to become known, make known, reveal

μυστήριον

the unmanifested or private counsel of God, God's secret, a secret or mystery too profound for human ingenuity, cf. 3:4, 6:19, 3:3ff, 3:9ff, 5:32
the content of that which has not been known before but which has been revealed to an in-group or restricted constituency, secret, mystery

θελήματος

what one wishes to bring about by ones' own action, since one has undertaken to do what one has willed, the secret purpose of God's will, i.e. the carrying out of God's plan of salvation
that which is purposed, intended, or willed, intent, purpose, plan, cf. v. 5

κατὰ

marker of norm of similarity or homogeneity, according to, in accordance with, in conformity with, according to, often the norm is at the same time the reason, 'in accordance with' and 'because of' are merged, cf. v. 11
marker of relation involving similarity of process

εὐδοκίαν

state or condition of being favored, good pleasure, that which is favored, cf. v. 5
that which is desired on the basis of its appearing to be beneficial

προέθετο

AMI3sg

fr. προτιθημι

to have something in mind beforehand, plan, propose, intend
to formulate a future course of action, to plan beforehand, to purpose, to intend
'according to his good pleasure which he planned beforehand'

V. 10

εἰς

marker of goals, to denote purpose, in order to
marker of intent, often with the implication of expected result, for the purpose of, in order

οἰκονομίαν

state of being arranged, arrangement, order, plan, of God's unique plan, private plan, plan of salvation, i.e. arrangements for redemption of humans... certainly refers to the plan of salvation which God is bringing to reality through Christ, in the fullness of the times, according to God's plan of redemption, cf. 3:9

a plan which involves a set of arrangements (referring in the NT to God's plan for bringing salvation to mankind within the course of history) – purpose, scheme

πληρώματος

state of being full, fullness (of time) cf. 1:19; 3:19; 4:13

total quantity, with emphasis upon completeness, full measure, completeness, totality

ἀνακεφαλαιώσασθαι AMInf

fr. ἀνακεφαλαιῶω

used of literary or rhetorical summation, sum up, recapitulate, to bring everything together in Christ

to bring everything together in terms of some unifying principle or person

V. 11

ἐκκληρώθημεν

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fr. κληρῶω

the meaning could be chosen, but some render 'in whom our lot is cast' = in whom we have our destiny, suggesting a total involvement in the fortunes of Christ, obtain by lot, in whom we have obtained an inheritance appears to be the most probably rendering for this passage

to choose, with the implication of supernatural or divine intervention or guidance, to choose in accordance with the will of God, 'in him we also were chosen'

προορισθέντες

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fr. προορίζω

decide upon beforehand, predetermine, foreordain, predestine

to come to a decision beforehand, to determine ahead of time, cf. v. 5

κατὰ

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marker of relation involving similarity of process

πρόθεσιν

that which is planned in advance, plan, purpose, resolve, will, cf. 3:11, Rom.8:28; 9:11

that which is planned or purposed in advance, plan, proposal, purpose, 'in whom we were also chosen, having been predetermined according to his purpose'

ἐνεργουῦντος

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fr. ἐνεργεῶ

to bring about something through use of capability, work, produce, effect

to cause a state to be, to cause to be, to make to be, to make, to result in, to bring about

βουλήν

that which one decides, resolution, decision, of the divine will

that which has been purposed or planned, plan, intention, purpose, cf. Rom. 9:19

θελήματος

the act of willing or desiring, will, of the will of God, cf. v. 9, 5:17

V. 12

ἔπαινον

see v. 6

δόξης

see v. 6

προηλπικότητας

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fr. προελπιζω

to be prior in hoping, hope before, be the first to hope (in Christ)

to hope in a prior manner, either beforehand or prior to someone else, to be the first to hope

V. 13

ἀκούσαντες

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fr. ἀκουω

to hear, to receive information or news about something, to learn about something, cf. 3:2

ἀληθείας

the content of what is true, truth, opposite of ψευδος, esp. of the content of Christianity as the ultimate truth

εὐαγγέλιον

God's good news to humans, good news as proclamation

The content of the good news

σωτηρίας

salvation with focus on transcendent aspects, only in connection with Jesus Christ as savior. This salvation makes itself known and felt in the present, but it will be completely disclosed in the future.

The process of salvation, the state of being saved, delivered, rescued

πιστεύσαντες

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fr. πιστευω

to entrust oneself to an entity in complete confidence, believe (in), trust, with implication of total commitment to the one who is trusted. In our lit. God and Christ are objects of this type of faith that relies on their power and nearness to help, in addition to being convinced that their revelations or disclosures are true.

To believe in the good news about Jesus Christ and to become a follower

ἐσφραγίσθητε ΑΡΙ2ρ1 fr. σφραγιζω
to mark with a seal as a means of identification, mark, seal. This forms the basis for understanding the imagery which speaks of those who enter the Christian community as being sealed with or by the Holy Spirit
to put a mark on something, primarily to indicate ownership but possibly also to mark group identity, cf. Rev. 7:3

ἐπαγγελίας
declaration to do something with implication of obligation to carry out what is stated, promise, pledge, offer, of God's promise. cf. 3:6
content of what is promised

V. 14

ἄρραβὼν
payment of part of a purchase price in advance, first installment, deposit, down payment, pledge, the Spirit is the first installment of the inheritance
the first or initial payment of money or assets, as a guarantee for the completion of a transaction or pledge, used figuratively in referring to the Holy Spirit as the pledge or guarantee of the blessings promised by God, first installment, down payment, pledge, guarantee

κληρονομίας
possession of transcendent salvation as the inheritance of God's children
the property given by a father, inheritance

ἀπολύτρωσιν
release from a captive condition, release, redemption, deliverance, manumission of captives or slaves, fig. the release from sin and finiteness that comes through Christ, redemption, acquittal, the state of being redeemed, cf. 1:7, 4:30
to release or set free, with the implied analogy to the process of freeing a slave, to set free, to liberate, to deliver, liberation, deliverance

περιποιήσεως
that which is acquired, possessing, possession, property, cf. I Pet 2:9
that which is acquired with considerable effort, cf. 1 Thes. 5:9