

Bible study series

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EPHESIANS Part 2: *"Your identity in Christ"*

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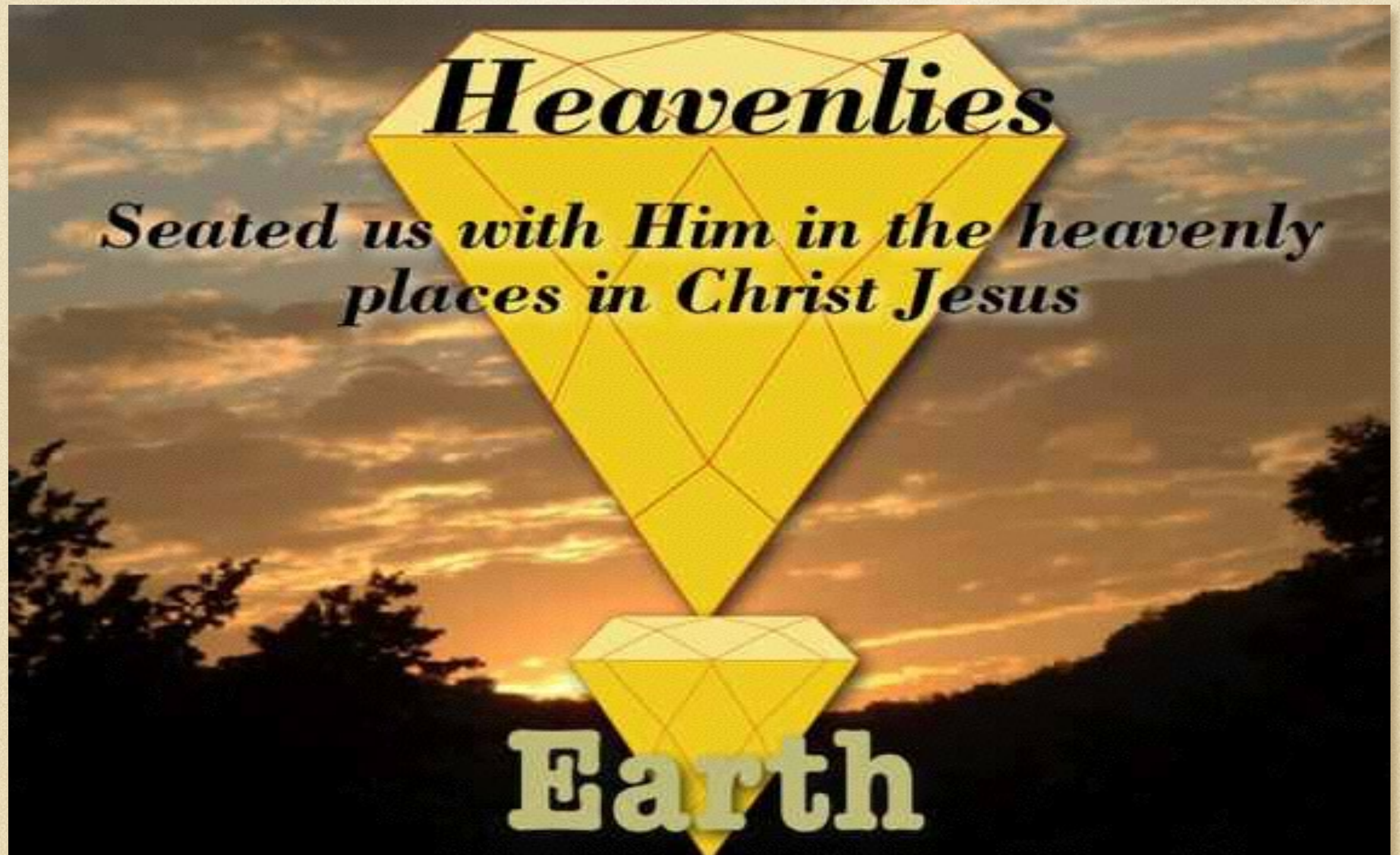


Your identity in Christ

EPHESIANS 1



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Your identity

PRIVILEGES

- Chosen in love, special, set apart to be holy and blameless, as a son like Christ, 1: 3,4,11.
- Blessed with all spiritual blessings, forgiven and redeemed as per riches of God's grace .
- Favoured.

POSITION

- Adopted as sons, with access to the Father, and accepted in the son.
- Have obtained an inheritance , and have knowledge of the mystery of God's will.
- Seated in Heavenly places in Christ, above all other powers

Your identity conti....

PURPOSE

- Predestined beforehand, and planned for and made for purpose
- God continues to align our lives to fit according to the purpose of His will.

OPPORTUNITIES

- God has lavished his love, riches of His grace, and His unconditional acceptance.
- God has released His abundant wisdom and prudence.

Four prayer keys to the Father of glory

- i. Give me the Spirit of wisdom and revelation to know you better.
- ii. Enlighten the eyes of my understanding so that I know my purpose which you made me for.
- iii. Enlighten my eyes that I may know the riches of the glory of your inheritance in the saints
- iv. I want to know the immense greatness of Gods power as was shown in the resurrection of Christ.

Ephesians 2

- **Love:** God's love is unconditional. There is no requirement or point system for his approval. But our socialisation both at home and in school uses a point system for acceptance and approval. But God loves you just as you are.
- The key question: Shall I live the way I want since God loves me anywhere?
- By no means says Romans 6:1-2 *God's love is redeeming love. He loves us so much that He will not leave us in the same condition.*
- Your response is, Give yourself holy to Him and He will change you. Luke 7:47 *He who is forgiven much, will love more.*

Key Themes

- **Mercy:** God is rich in mercy. Mercy is being forgiven your wrong doing, so that the punishment you deserved is waived. But you receive pardon.
- **Grace:** God has lavished His grace on us. Grace is the unlimited favour that gives you what you do not deserve. You are raised up to be seated in Christ Jesus above principalities and powers of darkness. You are made into a son, without your effort, but by the forgiveness of the blood of Jesus. Now we stand in a permanent state of God's favour

Faith and Works

Ephesians 2: 8-10

FAITH

- Saved through faith.
- Faith is your response to God's love. Choose to believe with total conviction that God loves you unconditionally.
- Hebrews 11:6 *Come to God by faith, and fully trust and depend on His ability according to what He has promised.*
- God's ability is revealed in the complete work of Christ on the cross, His death, the shedding of His blood, the tearing of the veil, and His resurrection and ascension.

WORKS

- Salvation is not by works. You do not earn God's favour and approval by doing works
- But because you have been saved, the life of Christ in you will produce Christ like works. Let it be Him working in you, so that you can produce the good works He ordained for you. There is a purpose for which God made you. But to do that great purpose, surrender wholly to Him.

God raised me up in Christ from:

Before

After