

Introduction

- What were we promised in v9-10?
- How should we respond to what we've seen in Ephesians so far?

i Possession (v11)

- What is a better translation than the NIV's "chosen" in v11?
- What does this mean?
- What does this mean about our attitude to the Lord?
- Which four verses exemplify that attitude?
 - (i)
 - (ii)
 - (iii)
 - (iv)
- What do you need to do if you have never submitted your life to the Lord?
- What is the latter part of v11 a strong statement of?
- How do we know that God's predestination is not random?
- There is much we do not understand about predestination. Which verse from the Old Testament gives us reassurance about that?
- How, in the end, should we respond to predestination?
- What else is God in control of?

- How should we respond to that?
- What is the implication of this for Christians?
- What should this make us do?

ii Pledge (v12-14)

- Who does Paul speak about in v12?
- Who does he focus on in v13a?
- What does he say about them?
- Who does Paul speak about in v13b-14?
- What two things does it mean that the Holy Spirit is called a “seal”?

(i)

(ii)

- What does it mean that the Holy Spirit is called a “deposit”?
- What does this mean for us?
- What should this make us do?

iii Praise (v14)

- Which verses in Ephesians 1 have already mentioned praise?
- Why is the praise of God’s glory the highest aim anyone could have?
- Why is praise inevitable when we think about salvation?
- What will happen to us if we meditate on Ephesians 1:3-14 regularly?