

Ephesians 1:1-14

Eph 1.1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,

To the saints who are also faithful in Christ Jesus:

Eph 1.2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Eph 1.3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4 even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. 5 He destined us in love to be his sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, 6 to the praise of his glorious grace which he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace 8 which he lavished upon us. 9 For he has made known to us in all wisdom and insight the mystery of his will, according to his purpose which he set forth in Christ 10 as a plan for the fulness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

Eph 1.11 In him, according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to the counsel of his will, 12 we who first hoped in Christ have been destined and appointed to live for the praise of his glory. 13 In him you also, who have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and have believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, 14 which is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

1QS 3.13 A text belonging to the Instructor, who is to enlighten and teach all the Sons of Light about the character and fate of humankind: 14 all their spiritual varieties with accompanying signs, all their deeds generation by generation, and their visitation for afflictions together with 15 eras of peace. All that is now and ever shall be originates with the God of knowledge. Before things come to be, He has ordered all their designs, 16 so that when they do come to exist—at their appointed times as ordained by His glorious plan—they fulfill their destiny, a destiny impossible to change. He controls 17 the laws governing all things, and He provides for all their pursuits. He created humankind to rule over 18 the world, appointing for them two spirits in which to walk until the time ordained for His visitation. These are the spirits