

## Gen 1:28 God Blessed Them

“*Blessed* be the God & Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has *blessed* us with every spiritual *blessing* in the heavenly places in Christ.” Eph. 1:3

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**Don't overlook the 1<sup>st</sup> verse:** *Called by the will of God  
To the saints... who are faithful in Christ Jesus.*

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence spans v3-14! (202 words)**

v3

E Norden, “the most monstrous sentence conglomeration

v4- that I have ever found in the Greek language.”

v7- C. Masson, “one is struck by the fullness of its words, of its  
v9- majesty & its perceptible rhythm from beginning to end.”

v11- **Includes The Father, The Son, The Spirit, & The Church**

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## v3 Praise for EVERY Spiritual Blessing

The recipients are those who are *in Christ* [**Rom 6:1-4**]

v4-6 Praise for Election & Adoption

v7-8 Praise for Redemption & Forgiveness

v9-10 It's ALL Summed Up In Christ

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God graciously chose Israel & now those “in Christ.”

Paul & the OT regularly use the word for groups.

v7 - “Paul is not talking about the pre-time electing or choosing  
v9 - of individual humans outside of Christ to be in Christ, but  
rather of the election of Christ & what is destined to  
happen to those, whoever they may be, who are in Christ.”

v11 - —B. Witherington (Methodist)

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Christ's blood allows our sins to be passed over.

Our redemption recalls Israel's Exodus, His lavish grace!

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It is similar to what Paul says in [**Col 1:17-27**]

Do **Col 3:3** & **Gal 2:20** summarize our life? If not, why?

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And rivers in the dessert,  
To give drink to My chosen people.  
The people whom I formed for Myself,  
will declare My Praise!” –Isaiah 43:20-21*

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## **v1 1-14 Praise for The Sealing of The Spirit**

This section foreshadows what will come in **Ch2**.

Both Jews & Gentiles received the OT promised Spirit.

3x all this is done “to the *PRAISE* of the glory of God!”

**See Past The Temporal, Choose His Eternal Blessings!**