

Bible Reading: Ephesians 1 (p. 1173)

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Praying for one another

God's Ultimate Purpose

Outrageous, radical,
breathtaking,
extraordinary language!

1:4a

1:4b

1:10

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What does this do to us?

It makes us a people of a past (chosen), a present (adopted) and future (in and under Christ).

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‘for this reason’

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b) What Paul wants for
other Christians

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*'Accept one another just
as Christ accepted you, in
order to bring praise to
God (Rom 15:7)'*

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1. KNOW HIM

We all need this...
all the time

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**2. KNOW HIS
INHERITANCE IN THE
SAINTS**

Our privilege to be caught up in God's unchangeable purposes.

He has invested in us;
even the blood of his own Son.

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**3. KNOW HIS POWER
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What is this power like?

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So much.

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Isaiah 35:10 & 51:11

‘Gladness and joy will overtake them and sorrow and sighing will flee away’

Rev. 21:4. ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes’.

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**4. KNOW THE HOPE TO
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Coming home!

**We need to pray for one another in this way
so that we may be hurried on in the
mainstream of God's purposes - to the praise
of his glorious grace**