

“He Chose Us”

Life in Christ: Wealth, Walk, Warfare (Ephesians) – Part 12

Ephesians 1:4a

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“because¹ He chose us *to be* in Him before the foundation of the world, *for* us to be holy and blameless before Him in love,…” [Ephesians 1:4 DJP]

Introduction:

I. _____ God Did:

A. The _____ tion: “Because”

B. The _____ tion: “He Chose”

1. Examples of verb and noun, and adjective
 - a. **Verb** occurs 22X in NT, 141X in LXX; **noun** is 7X, 9X, respectively
 - i. First LXX uses: Genesis 6:2; 13:11
 - ii. Gospels
 - Luke 6:13
 - Luke 14:7
 - John 15:16
 - iii. Acts 1:24
 - iv. Paul (Romans 9:11–12)
 - b. **Adjective** “chosen,” “elect” often shorthand for a believer, saved person
 - i. 22X in NT, 121X in LXX
 - ii. Examples
 - Matthew 22:14
 - Colossians 3:12
2. Meaning
3. Application

¹ Or *for*, or *just as*.

C. The _____

1. His *personhood*

2. His *excellence*

Exodus 15:11

1 Samuel 2:2

1 Chronicles 16:23–29

Psalm 27:4

3. Reflect

II. _____ God Did It: “_____”

A. Massive Implications

B. M_____ations

1 Corinthians 1:26–29, 31

1 Corinthians 6:9–11

Titus 3:3

Ephesians 2:1–3

Ephesians 1:4

III. When God Did It: “Before the Foundation of the World”

A. What This *Doesn't* Mean

B. What This *Does* Mean