

Passage:

## Ephesians 1:1-3

First Sermon on Ephesians 1 – by John Calvin  
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Title: PREPARING FOR THE BENEFITS OF GOD

Key Verse: “*To the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful in Christ Jesus.*” – Ephesians 1:1b

Aim: To be prepared to receive the benefits of God.

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1. *Doctrine*: The benefits of God are:

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ to us by our Lord Jesus Christ, and are
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ we need in this world.

2. *Exposition*: The necessary \_\_\_\_\_, then and now.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus our only instructor through his called and faithful ministers. (v.1a)
- b. Be \_\_\_\_\_ by the grace of faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. (v.1b-2)
- c. Express \_\_\_\_\_ to God for preparing everything for us on earth and in heaven. (v. 3)

3. *Application*: \_\_\_\_\_ preparation for everyday life.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ God in his living image.
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ of setting our minds on this world.
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ God for Christ’s blood and your belief in the Gospel.