

I. We are chosen by God to receive eternal life

A. God chose us before the world began

"I am not ashamed of the gospel because it is the power of God for the salvation of every one who believes." (Romans 1:16)

B. God chose us in Jesus Christ

"For God so loved the world that he sent his one and only Son that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

C. God chose us to be holy in his eyes

D. God chose us to live blameless in his eyes

II. We are adopted by God to be his children

A. We are adopted by God's prearranged plan

B. We are adopted because of God's love

"How great is the love that Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!" (1 John 3:1)

C. We are adopted through Jesus Christ

"Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God." (John 1:12)

D. We are adopted according to God's will

E. We are adopted resulting in praise to God

III. We are redeemed by God to be free

A. We are redeemed by the blood of Christ

"For you know it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect." (1 Peter 1:18-19)

B. We are redeemed to belong to God's family

"You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with our blood purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation." (Revelation 5:9)

C. We are redeemed to be free from slavery to sin

“He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.” (Colossians 1:13-14)

D. We are redeemed to be free from the penalty of death

E. We are redeemed to receive eternal life

IV. We are forgiven of our sins

A. We are forgiven by the sacrifice of Christ

“This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.” (Matthew 26:28)

B. We are forgiven because Jesus died for us

C. We are forgiven through the abundance of God’s grace