

## **THINK ABOUT IT CHRISTIAN**

### **Ephesians 1:3-14**

**Introduction:** Everybody has at one time or other something to be thankful for and looking around it is obvious that some have more to be thankful for than others. Some have lots of money and property, some have good health, some have a wonderful family, some have a good job, some are smart and some have lots of friends. People seem to be most thankful for what they have had a part in.

There are some people who have more to be thankful for than anybody else on earth and they actually have had nothing to do with that which they should be most thankful for that nobody else has. Those people are "Christians."

#### **I. CHRISTIANS ONLY HAVE BEEN CHOSEN BY GOD**

1. Think about it Christian! God wants you to be with Him. Why?
2. You did not suddenly decide "I'm going to be a Christian!" It was no accident, not your good deeds, God dealt with you for a long time before you became aware of His calling.
3. God deliberately chose you to be set apart for Him. You weren't even aware of His presence.

#### **II. CHRISTIANS ONLY HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY GOD**

1. Christian, you are not a servant or a slave, you are God's legally adopted child.
2. Christian, all your past has been cancelled.
3. Christian, God has given you eternal life to be lived as one of His children.

#### **III. CHRISTIANS ONLY ARE REDEEMED AND HAVE THEIR SINS FORGIVEN**

1. Christian, God has paid for you and He then has set you free from Satan.
2. God has dismissed your sins and they can no longer bring you death and separation from God.
3. Christian, all has been settled between you and God. Everything is taken care of.

#### **IV. CHRISTIANS ONLY ARE GIVEN SPIRITUAL WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING**

1. Of all the people on earth, only Christians know the truth as God sees it.
2. Christians know exactly what God expects and wants.
3. Only Christians know how to find what God is going to do.

#### **V. ONLY TO CHRISTIANS HAS GOD REVEALED THE MYSTERY OF HIS WILL**

1. To you, Christian, God has revealed His divine plan for mankind and the world.
2. You, Christian, one of God's adopted children are of His Church and are a representative of God while you are here.
3. Christian, you are God's chosen instrument to work His will on earth.

## **VI. ONLY TO CHRISTIANS HAS GOD GIVEN AN INHERITANCE**

1. You, Christian, shall be forever one of God's most prized possessions.
2. You shall forever receive God's love and grace and all that He has..
3. Christians shall be kings, priests, and rulers in God's vast new universe.

## **VII. ONLY CHRISTIANS ARE SEALED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT**

1. God has marked Christians as His very own with His Holy Spirit who indwells each one.
2. God has given Christians permanent protection from Satan, the evil one.
3. God will personally guide every Christian through this life and bring each one to his/her new heavenly and eternal home safely and in His time.

## **CONCLUSION:**

1. Christian, you are chosen because of God's love for you and the work of Jesus.
2. Christian, you are adopted because God loves you and Jesus died for you.
3. Christian, your sins are forgiven because of God's grace and Jesus' death on the cross.
4. Christian, what you know of God is because God wants you to know it and it is through Jesus.
5. Christian, you have an inheritance from God and it is because God wants you to have it.
6. Christian, you shall live forever and serve as a king, or a priest, or a ruler because of God's love for you and what Jesus has done.
7. Christian, you are marked, sealed, protected and led by God through your life because God loves you and what Jesus did has done.
8. Christian, you have more reason to be thankful than any other person on earth and it's for things that you have had nothing to do with in causing. You are the recipient of what somebody else did for you, Almighty God and His Son, Jesus Christ.
9. Christian, remember that it was God's idea for you to become one of His children in the first place. All you could do was to believe as best you could in God's Son, Jesus, God and Jesus did the rest.
10. Nobody else in the world, **NOBODY** has such privileges as you, Christian.
11. **THINK ABOUT IT CHRISTIAN...**