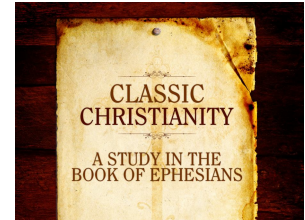




**Community Group Questions**  
**Classic Christianity – Part 4**  
**“7 Blessings of Highly Elected People”**  
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**I. GETTING TO KNOW YOU**

Have each person share 3 different, truthful things about themselves:

- something they did yesterday
- something they did today
- something that they will do tomorrow

Let everyone take their turn, one after the next, without interruption. When everyone has shared their 3 “events,” THEN ask one person to try and accurately recall all the other people’s events.

**II. DIGGING DEEPER**

Read Ephesians 1:9-14

**A. Blessing #4 – Knowing the Mystery**

Have you ever wondered what God’s will for your life is? According to Ephesians 1:9-10, what *is* the mystery of His will?

Read Colossians 1:26 and Romans 16:25-26.

- Is this mystery revealed to us?
- How has it been disclosed according to Romans 16:26?

Read Luke 10:23-24.

- In what ways do we take for granted the knowledge of this mystery that was hidden for thousands of years?

**B. Blessing #5 – I Have Obtained an Inheritance**

*Ephesians 1:11 – “In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will”*

- Name some things that you inherit from your Father
- Read Matthew 6 and 1 Corinthians 3:14 to get a taste of how the Father wants to reward his children

**C. Blessing #6 – I am included *IN* Christ**

*Ephesians 1:13 – “In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation”*

- How might it affect the way you live to know that you are *IN* Christ.

**D. Blessing #7: I am Sealed with the Promised Holy Spirit**

Read Ephesians 1:13-14

- How does being sealed with the Spirit (Ephesians 4:30; 2 Corinthians 1:21 and 2 Corinthians 5:5) relate to eternal security and assurance of your salvation?
- Do you ever have doubts about your salvation?
- What is the cause of these doubts?

Take comfort in 1 John 5:13; John 6:37-40; Romans 8:1

**III. TAKING IT HOME**

How will it affect your life this week in knowing how you've been blessed by God?

Consider how you might share the "mystery of God's will" with others this week for "the praise of His glory" (Ephesians 1:14).