

Ephesians 1:12

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

Analysis

[Verse 1:12 text would be quoted here] This verse in Ephesians chapter 1 addresses theological theme. Key Greek terms include to be determined.

The theological focus is doctrinal emphasis, demonstrating Paul's emphasis on the cosmic Christ and the church as His body/bride/temple. The phrase emphasizes union with Christ as the foundation of all spiritual blessings.

Historical Context

Written during Paul's Roman imprisonment (60-62 CE), this verse in chapter 1 reflects the circular letter's purpose to multiple Asian churches. Ephesus was a major center of pagan worship (Artemis cult) and early Christianity, making Paul's teachings on spiritual warfare and Christian unity particularly relevant.

Related Passages

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 1:12 about verse-specific transform your daily walk with Christ?
2. What does this verse teach about theological theme that challenges modern Christian practice?
3. How can you apply the theological principle of doctrinal emphasis in your relationships and witness?

Interlinear Text

εἰς	τῷ	εἶναι	ἡμᾶς	εἰς	ἔπαινον	τῷ	δόξης	αὐτοῦ	τῷ
That	who	should be	we	That	the praise	who	glory	of his	who
G1519	G3588	G1511	G2248	G1519	G1868	G3588	G1391	G846	G3588
προηλπικότας	ἐν	τῷ	Χριστῷ						
first trusted	in	who	Christ						
G4276	G1722	G3588	G5547						

Additional Cross-References

Ephesians 1:6 (Glory): To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

2 Thessalonians 2:13 (Parallel theme): But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

James 1:18 (Parallel theme): Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Isaiah 45:25 (Glory): In the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.

Isaiah 11:10 (Glory): And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

Isaiah 12:2 (Faith): Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.

Isaiah 45:23 (Parallel theme): I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.

Psalms 2:12 (Faith): Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

Jeremiah 23:6 (Parallel theme): In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Ephesians 3:21 (Glory): Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

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