

Ephesians 1:3

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

Analysis

[Verse 1:3 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

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Study Questions

1. How does the truth of Ephesians 1:3 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

Εὐλογητὸς	τοῖς	θεὸς	καὶ	πατὴρ	τοῖς	κυρίου	ἡμῶν
Blessed	who	be the God	and	Father	who	Lord	of our
G2128	G3588	G2316	G2532	G3962	G3588	G2962	G2257
Ἰησοῦ	Χριστῷ	τοῖς	εὐλογήσας	ἡμᾶς	ἐν	πάσῃ	εὐλογίᾳ
Jesus	Christ	who	hath blessed	us	in	all	blessings
G2424	G5547	G3588	G2127	G2248	G1722	G3956	G2129
πνευματικῇ	ἐν	τοῖς	ἐπουρανίοις	Χριστῷ			
spiritual	in	who	heavenly	Christ			
G4152	G1722	G3588	G2032	G5547			

Additional Cross-References

1 Peter 1:3 (Blessing): Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

2 Corinthians 1:3 (Blessing): Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;

Ephesians 2:6 (References Jesus): And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

Genesis 22:18 (Blessing): And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

Ephesians 1:20 (References Christ): Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

Ephesians 3:10 (References God): To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

Ephesians 6:12 (Spirit): For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Psalms 72:19 (Blessing): And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory; Amen, and Amen.

Galatians 3:9 (Blessing): So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

1 Chronicles 4:10 (Blessing): And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.