

WEEK 1: Ephesians 1

Important: Grab your favorite colored pens or pencils!

We will spend time throughout the next six weeks marking various key words in color. Key words bring out themes and important elements in God's Word which help us with deeper meaning, bringing about application for our lives.

Read **EPHESIANS 1** at the beginning of the book two times, praying and asking God for understanding to know His truths.

- As you read the first time mark **GOD** with a black G.
- As you read the second time mark **JESUS CHRIST** with a red cross.
 - * Include all pronouns for **GOD** and **JESUS CHRIST**.

Continually look for **GOD** and **JESUS CHRIST**, always marking these two words as you work through each lesson. The presence of **GOD** and **JESUS CHRIST** is pivotal in our text and in our faith.

Additionally, use a paper clip, flag or some other form of marking the first page for each lesson you are working through. This will make finding the text we are studying much easier as each question takes you further from the Lesson 1 page.

Lesson 1

Ephesians 1:1-6

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are at Ephesus and who are faithful in Christ Jesus: 2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, 4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love 5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.