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PART OF SOMETHING BIG







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Big Idea – We are deeply, lavishly, infinitely loved by God!

# Ephesians 1:3-6

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup> even as **he chose us in him before the** foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love 5 he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

# **Ephesians 2:4-5**

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#### Hebrews 10:11-14

<sup>11</sup> And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. 12 But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, <sup>13</sup> waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. <sup>14</sup> For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

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# **Ephesians 4:1-3**

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup> with all <u>humility</u> and <u>gentleness</u>, with <u>patience</u>, <u>bearing with</u> <u>one another in love</u>, <sup>3</sup> <u>eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit</u> in the bond of peace.

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### **Ephesians 4:32 – 5:2**

32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

### **Chapter 5**

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### **Ephesians 3:14-19**

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, <sup>16</sup> that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup> and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

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