Having just learned that God our Father is summing up ALL in heaven and earth; and will be reduced down to one great congregation...

### even in Jesus Christ /

who paid our debt; who was despised and rejected...



## <sup>11</sup>In whom also we are His inheritance having been predestinated / this

adopted family is purchased by the effort of His soul! Notice that little word: also... which indicates... amazement; potential disbelief... because previously they were not considered part of that inheritance. But our great God is reducing all into one... even in Him.

previously ordered and decreed. We already learned about that previous decree... made in the beginning... when God said: Let US make man in Our image -- that being our destination... previously determined. And for thousands of years, some have not wanted to make the journey... not wanted to walk with Him, and have ventured out on their own wandering in darkness. But Paul is talking to those in each generation... who will make the journey... even the few now days, who walk

#### according to the purpose of Him who works all... after the counsel of His own will:

<sup>12</sup> that we who first hoped in Christ are to the praise of His glory / in Christ alone, who paid the debt we could not pay -- our first hope. He is our last hope. He is our only hope! we are His inheritance and will have the praise not of men, but of Christ, who is God's glory! Who will say: Well done... thou good and faithful servant! 我们的父神使天上地上一切所 有的,都在基督里面同归于 一…

在基督里/谁偿还了我们的 债务;被鄙视和排斥…

### "我们也在他里面得了

**基业**, /这个收养的家庭是用他的灵魂的努力换来的! 注意这个小单词:also, 表示惊讶;潜在的怀疑…因为以前 他们不被认为是遗产的一部分。但我们伟大的神正在将 所有人归为一, 甚至在他里面。

先前的命令和命令。我们已经知道了神在一开始的旨意,神说:"<u>让我们照着我们的形象造人</u>,这是我们的目的地。"几千年来,有些人不愿踏上这段旅程,不愿与他同行,而独自冒险在黑暗中游荡。但保罗是在对每一代的人说话, 对那些将要踏上旅途的人说话,甚至对那些现 在还在行走的人说话

### 这原是那位随己意行作万事的,照着他 旨意所预定的。

<sup>12</sup> 叫他的荣耀,从我们这首先在基督里 有盼望的人,可以得着称赞。/<u>惟有基督</u> 还了我们最初所不能还的债。他是我们最后的希望。他 是我们唯一的希望!我们是他的基业,不是从人得的称赞, 乃是从基督得的称赞。基督是神的荣耀。谁会说:干得 好……你这善良而忠实的仆人!

<sup>13</sup> In whom are you also, hearing the word of truth the gospel of your salvation / Paul assures his readers... we are part of this wonderful purpose planned by God... long ago! That is where this renovation of the new inner-man starts...we are in Him; when He is in us, hearing the word of Jesus, who is the Truth... the night He was betrayed, Jesus said 12 times: keep My words. Guard them with your life. But sadly now days, the church does not do that. Sarah Coleman once said, God has never promised to honor <u>my</u> words; but He has promised to honor His! Keep them! Know them!

in whom also faithing you were sealed by the Holy Spirit of promise / we were officially stamped; and set apart. God's inheritance is genuine.

<sup>14</sup> Who is the down payment / paid in the currency of the full payment of our inheritance; until the redemption of the purchased possession / until that last day in the last generation, when the last person purchased by God responds in faith; when all the people of faith have been bought up, from the marketplace of the world

... still happening even in our time,

to the praise of His glory / we learn it is to Christ's praise when He comes in great glory!

<sup>15</sup> For this reason I also, after I heard of your faithing in the Lord Jesus, and love to all the saints / Paul is talking about all the brothers and sisters in God's family -- both small and great... all those saints,

I also...

<sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;

## 13你们既听见真理的道,就是那

**叫你们得救的福音**,/保罗向他的读者 保证,我们是神长久以来所计划的奇妙目的的一部 分。这就是新的内在人开始更新的地方……我们在 他里面;耶稣被出卖的那一夜,他对我们说了 12 遍: "<u>要遵行我的话。</u>"用生命保护他们。但可悲的是, 现在教会不这么做了。莎拉·科尔曼曾经说过,上 帝从来没有承诺过遵守我的话;但他已经应许荣耀他 的神!让他们!知道他们!分享他们!

也信了基督,既然信他,就受了所应许 的圣灵为印记。/我们被正式盖章了;并设置分开。

的全灭**为印记。**/我们被正式盖章了;并设置分开。 神的产业是真实的。

14 这圣灵,是我们得基业的凭据, 直等到神之民被赎,/<sub>直到末世的末世</sub>, 就是神所买来的那最后的人,凭信心得着应允的日子。 当所有信主的人,都从世上的市场被买去的时候

即使在我们这个时代仍然在发生

使他的荣耀得着称赞。/我们知道,当基督 在荣耀中降临的时候,是为了赞美他!

<sup>15</sup> 因此,我既听见你们信从主耶稣,亲 爱众圣徒,/保罗指的是神家中所有的弟兄姐妹,无 论大小,所有的圣徒,

我也…

<sup>16</sup> 就为你们不住地感谢神,祷告的时候, 常提到你们。 <sup>17</sup> that the good-words God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, give to you the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation in the knowledge of Him / Paul prays that we take hold of this great gift: the promised Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ, Paul gives thanks to our great God and Father, that these people in Ephesus also received the Spirit of God... and are getting to know Him! Paul continues...

<sup>18</sup> The eyes of your heart's understanding being enlightened; that you know what is the hope of His calling / your deep thoughts, your meditations and insights... and what is the hope of His calling? Why did this call go out to the nations? God still hopes to remake some in His image; who will trust Him and take Him at His word. <u>Read</u> about it in Genesis 1:26. That is why the call went out.

That is the meaning of the Greek word for church: the **ek-kle-sia**... literally: His **out-called-ones**... called out of the streets of life... called to assemble in His Name as the Church He is building! He is calling, even now! So pick up! Don't forget to answer the call!

that you know what is the hope of His calling, and what are the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints / what was the costly value of this inheritance that He purchased out of the marketplace of the world? He paid the debt! Paul is saying: what this inheritance cost our Lord,

<sup>19</sup> and what is the exceeding greatness of His power to us who are faithing according to the energizing of His strength / without faith, it is impossible to please God; the Spirit of God is powerful, and the grace of God is evidence of that power, <sup>17</sup> 求我们主耶稣基督的神,荣耀的父, 将那赐人智慧和启示的灵,赏给你们, 使你们真知道他。/保罗为我们祷告,求我 们得着这大恩赐,就是应许我们主耶稣基督的 灵。保罗感谢我们伟大的神和父,这些人在以 弗所也领受了神的灵,并且渐渐认识他。保罗 继续……

<sup>18</sup> 并且照明你们心中的眼睛, 使你 们知道他的恩召有何等指望。/你的深 邃的思想,你的冥想和洞察力……他的呼召的希望是什 么?为什么向列国发出这样的召唤呢?神仍希望照着他的 形像再造一些人;要信靠他,相信他的话。请阅读《创世 纪》第1章26节。这就是为什么电话发出去了。

这就是希腊语中教会一词的意思:ekkle -sia…字 面意思:他呼召的人…从生命的街道呼召出来… 呼召以他的名聚集在他所建造的教会里!他在打 电话,甚至现在!所以接!别忘了接电话!

使你们知道他的恩召有何等指望。他 在圣徒中得的基业,有何等丰盛的荣 耀。/他从世上的市场所买来的产业有甚麽贵重呢?他 还了债保罗说,这产业给我们的主带来的代价,

"并知道他向我们这信的人所显的能力,是何等浩大,/没有信心,就不能讨神的 喜悦;神的灵是大有能力的,神的恩就是这能力的明证。

<sup>20</sup> who He energized in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead / you know, if God the Father can break through a rock and raise the dead; then certainly, His Spirit and His grace can break through those hard heads of ours... who will trust Him, and take Him at His word,

### and set at His own right hand in the heavens,

<sup>21</sup> Far above / way above! all rulers, and authorities, and powers, and lordships and far above every name that is named not only in this world, but also in what is expected to come / ALL arche, all exousia, all dunamis, all kuriotes... Paul writes about the graduated hierarchy of powerful spiritual beings, from little local monarchies and buck-private rulers, to the 5-star generals in the heavens -- the good ones; and the bad ones. Any creature who thinks he or she has some name recognition; anyone who thinks they have some sort of position or a title: even critics and judgmental Pharisees included; they are just little leaguers.

Jesus Christ already hit the ball out of the park!

<sup>22</sup> and put all under His feet, and gave Him – head / the word is: kephale; and only One gets to be the Head. You know: the eyes and ears; and mouth and nose and brains. He doesn't need any meat-head advising Him.

The church Jesus is building -- the only church that exists... is not an aberrant institution or freak show! He has and needs NO other head! His head is enough! Anyone who says, they are head of His church... run from them! They are deceived... and sniffing too much incense; or smoking too much weird stuff... and will try to deceive you, too! <sup>20</sup> 就是照他在基督身上,所运行的大 能大力,使他从死里复活,/你们知道, 如果天父神能打碎磐石,叫死人复活;这样,神的灵和神 的恩典,就可以打破我们的顽固不化的头脑。

### 叫他在天上坐在自己的右边,

<sup>21</sup> 远超过一切执政的,掌权的,有能的, 主治的,和一切有名的。不但是今世 的,连来世的也都超过了。/所有的拱门, 所有的外太空,所有的 dunamis,所有的 kuriotes……保罗写了关于强大的精神存在的等级划 分,从小型的地方君主和私人统治者,到天上的五 星将军——好的人;还有那些坏的。任何自认为有一 定知名度的生物;任何认为自己有某种地位或头衔的 人:甚至包括批评家和审判法利赛人;他们只是小联 盟。

上帝已经把球击出球场了!

<sup>22</sup> 又将万有服在他的脚下,使他为教 会作万有之首。/这个词是:kephale;只有一个人 可以当校长。你知道:眼睛和耳朵;嘴巴、鼻子和大脑。他 不需要什么笨蛋来给他出主意。

耶稣正在建造的教堂——唯一存在的教堂……不是一个 异常的机构或畸形秀!他没有,也不需要别的脑袋!他的头 够了!任何说他们是神的教会领袖的人…快躲开他们!他们 被欺骗了……他们闻了太多的香;或者抽了太多奇怪的东 西……而且还想欺骗你!

God our Father speaks good words in faith... letting us know well in advance what He intends to do! So, hear Him again...

and put all under His feet / all who want to be ruled by Him...and all who don't... ALL...

and gave Him the HEAD over all...

to the church / the one He said He was building; that church; not my church... not your church! HIS church!

<sup>23</sup> which is His body / His hands, His feet... His shoulders... His toes... and the many other vital cells and unseen members properly working together. In these verses, we learn... nobody needs to be or ever will be... His eyes or ears... which are part of His head; because His eyes and His ears work very well!

and put all under His feet, and gave Him the HEAD over all... to the church which is His body, the fullness / the fulfillment... of Him who fills all in all.

Who fills everywhere in His creation with His influence and His presence... which is why the Lord Jesus Christ... is the Head!

And everybody else is not!

我们的父神在信心中说好的话语,让我们预先 知道他的意图。所以,再听一遍……

**又将万有服在他的脚下,**/所有想要被他掌管的人,所有不想被他掌管的人,所有想要被他掌管的人,所有想要被他掌管的人。

使他为教会作万有之首。/就是他说他正 在建造的那个;教堂;不是我的教堂,不是你的教堂!他的 教会!

<sup>23</sup> 教会是他的身体,/他的手、他的脚、他的 肩膀、他的脚趾,还有许多其他重要的细胞和看不见的 成员,一起正常地工作着。在这些经文中,我们学到… 没有人需要成为<mark>祂的眼睛或耳朵…是衪头的一部分</mark>;因为 他的眼睛和耳朵工作得很好!

## <mark>又将万有服在他的脚下,使他为教</mark> <mark>会作万有之首。</mark>是那充满万有者所 充满的。

他的影响和同在充满了他的创造,这就是为什 么主耶稣基督是头!

而其他人都不是!

This is My Father's World

<u>His Sheep Hear His Voice And Follow Him</u>

<u>In Christ Alone</u>

My Chains are gone