

Love and Smiles Forever

Ephesians 1:3-8 How we praise God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we belong to Christ. ⁴ Long ago, even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. ⁵ His unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. And this gave him great pleasure.

⁶ So we praise God for the wonderful kindness he has poured out on us because we belong to his dearly loved Son. ⁷ He is so rich in kindness that he purchased our freedom through the blood of his Son, and our sins are forgiven. ⁸ He has showered his kindness on us, along with all wisdom and understanding. NLT

Ephesians 1:3-8 Alabado sea Dios, Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que nos ha bendecido en las regiones celestiales con toda bendición espiritual en Cristo.

⁴ Dios nos escogió en él antes de la creación del mundo, para que seamos santos y sin mancha delante de él. En amor ⁵ nos predestinó para ser adoptados como hijos suyos por medio de Jesucristo, según el buen propósito de su voluntad,

⁶ para alabanza de su gloriosa gracia, que nos concedió en su Amado. ⁷ En él tenemos la redención mediante su sangre, el perdón de nuestros pecados, conforme a las riquezas de la gracia ⁸ que Dios nos dio en abundancia con toda sabiduría y entendimiento. NVI

Love: God loves YOU.

Ephesians 1:4 Long ago, even before he made the world, God loved [*agápe*] us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes... NLT

Agápe – UNCONDITIONAL. A love of COMMITMENT.

Smiles: God ENJOYS you.

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God doesn't have BUYER'S REMORSE.

Not only is God's love a love of COMMITMENT, but it is also one of EMOTION and FEELING.

Forever: God is COMMITTED to your FUTURE.

Hebrews 13:5b "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." NIV

Ephesians 1:13-14 And now you also have heard the truth, the Good News that God saves you. And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago. ¹⁴ The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us everything he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. This is just one more reason for us to praise our glorious God. NLT