

# A BELIEVER'S ID

## *Ephesians 1:1*

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### A Christian's Primary Identity: a Saint

Christians are regularly called "saints" (*Ro. 1:7; 1 Cor. 1:2; Phil. 1:1; Col. 1:2*)

A saint is \_\_\_\_\_ single believer in Jesus

A saint is someone \_\_\_\_\_ for something special

### How Do I Become a Saint?

By the \_\_\_\_\_ of God (*1:1; Ro. 1:7; 1 Cor. 1:2*)

By your \_\_\_\_\_ in God's Son (*1:1, 19-20*)

By being \_\_\_\_\_ Christ (*1:1*)

### "In Christ" – a Key Concept of the Christian Faith

Being "in Christ" is how God transforms us into a saint (*1:1*)

"In Christ" is the spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ in which you live  
(*Ro. 6:23; 2 Cor. 5:17*)

"In Christ" is your \_\_\_\_\_ (*1:1*)

### The Blessings of Being "In Christ" (*1:3*)

### The Calling of Being "In Christ" in Watsonville (*1:1*)

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Applying the Bible to Life

- How is God defining my identity different than me self-identifying according to my wants and feelings?
- How can understanding of who I am "in Christ" impact the way I think about myself and what I struggle for in life?
- Which of the blessings of being "in Christ" sound most valuable to you?

## My Identity in Christ, from Ephesians

### ***In Christ...***

I am a saint (1:1)

I am blessed (1:3, 6)

I am chosen to be holy and blameless (1:4)

I am redeemed and forgiven (1:7; 4:32)

I have a divine purpose (1:9; 3:11)

I am united with God's creation (1:10)

I have an inheritance (1:11)

I have a hope (1:12)

I am sealed with the Spirit for salvation (1:13)

I will experience God's resurrecting power (1:20)

I will be raised and exalted (2:6)

I will experience God's gracious kindness (2:7)

I have been created for good works (2:10)

I am near to God and God's people (2:13)

I can experience racial unity (2:14)

I am a new type of human (2:15)

I am reconciled to God (2:16)

I have access to God (2:18)

I fit in Christ's Church (2:22)

I am a partaker of God's promises (3:6)

I have a confident standing before God (3:12)

I have a pattern and hope for growth (4:15)

I have an understanding of the truth (4:21)

I am a shining light in a dark world (5:8)

I am able to live thankfully (5:20)

I can live rightly with my family (6:1, 4)

I have the strength to face Satan's attacks (6:10)

I have the ability to faithfully minister for the Lord (6:21)