

which He bestowed on us freely (ἐχαρίτωσεν) in the beloved, in whom we are having the redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of trespasses, according to the riches of His grace, which He provided in abundance for us in all wisdom and insight, having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He intended (προέθετο) in Him, to an administration of the fullness of times, the summing up of all things in Christ, the things in heavens and the things upon the earth, in Him, in whom also we were made an inheritance (ἐκληρώθημεν), having been predetermined (προορισθέντες) according to (His) purpose (πρόθεσιν), the one who makes all things work according to the plan (βουλήν) of His will (θελήματος), to the end that we, the first to hope in Christ, should be to the praise of His glory, in whom you also, having heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, in whom also having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the pledge of our inheritance, unto the redemption of the possession, to the praise of His glory."

(5) 2 Thess. 2:13-14

"But we are obligated to give thanks to God at all times for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose (εἰλόατο) (1 aor. mid. fr. αἰρέω) you first fruits unto salvation by sanctifying of the spirit and belief of the truth, unto which He called you through our gospel, unto the gaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ."

(6) 2 Timothy 1:8-10

"Do not therefore be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner; undergo your share of suffering for the gospel according to the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to (His) own purpose (πρόθεσιν) and grace, which was given (δοθείσαν) (1 aor. pass part. acc. sing. fern., fr. δίδωμι) us in Christ Jesus before ages of times (πρὸ χρόνων αἰώνιων), but has now been revealed by the appearance of our Savior Christ Jesus, who destroyed death and brought to light life and immortality through the gospel."

(7) 1 Peter 1:1-2

"Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ to the resident aliens of the diaspora of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, elect ones (ἐκλεκτοῖς) according to foreknowledge (πρόγνωσιν) of God the Father, by sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ. Grace and peace be multiplied to you."

(8) Various Scriptures which speak of the names of believers recorded in the Book of Life:

(a) Luke 10:20 -- "However, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are in subjection to you, but rejoice that your names have been inscribed (ἐγγέγραπται [pert. ind. pass fr. ἐγγράφω]) in the heavens."