

LG | Guide

[Ephesians 1:7-12]

WARM-UP (10 mins)

It is likely that everyone present had a very busy day, maybe even a trying day. Let's take a moment to still our minds and go to the Lord in prayer.

- Accountability: What are the fruits of the spirit?...

Do you think you modeled those well today/this week for your co-workers, for your family? [But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desire of the flesh. – Gal 5:16]

- When you reflect back on Sunday's sermon, what impacted you the most? Anything that stirred your affection towards the Lord?

ILLUMINATE (40 mins)

Open your Bibles to the primary text.

1. Read our primary text. Sometimes it is good to read the Bible with "fresh eyes." What does verse 7 actually say about Jesus? What conclusions can you draw from this verse if you were reading it purely objectively, like one who is reading it for the first time?
2. Verse 7 makes a couple very direct assumptions/statements about those who have been redeemed by Jesus. What are they?
3. How did God lavish his grace upon us, specifically in all wisdom and insight?
4. What does this block of text say about God's will/plan? What can we learn about God's foresight from these verses?
5. How did God make known to us the mystery of his will?
6. Given what we have read in these verses, how do the things of this world mesh with God's will?
7. What is to gain for those who believe in Christ? For what purpose? What are all these rewards for?

PRAY (10 mins)

Use this time to pray specifically. Pray for the needs of others; locally and abroad.