



God Is Great Enough To BLESS Me

The Greatness of God Series – Part 4
Romans 8:31-32 & Ephesians 1:3-8
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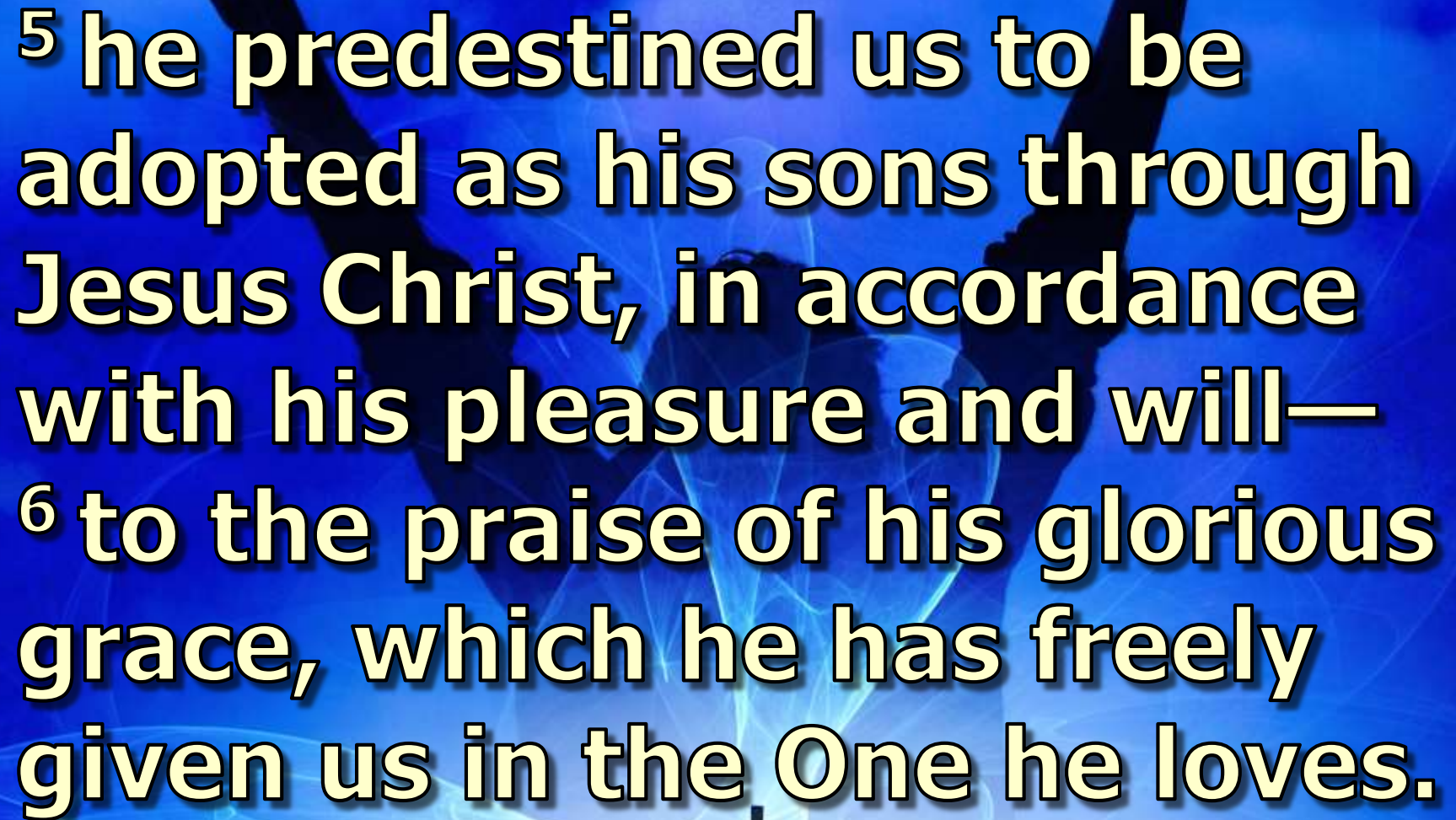
A person is shown from the chest up, with their arms raised high in a gesture of praise or worship. The person's face is not visible, and they appear to be wearing a dark garment. The background is a deep blue with lighter, wispy patterns. A large, faint silhouette of a cross is visible behind the person. The overall mood is spiritual and uplifting.

Deuteronomy 32:3³

**I will proclaim the name
of the LORD. Oh, praise
the greatness of our God.**

Ephesians 1:3-8

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. ⁴ For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love



⁵ he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—
⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.

7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace 8 that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. (NIV)




Romans 8:31-32

³¹ What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? (NIV)

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**The biblical word “Bless”
appears 544 x in 484
verses**

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Definition: To bless means to

Speak Good or to

Do Good things for another.

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4 Types of Blessings Found In Scripture

1. The Blessing That God Speaks To People.

**Genesis 12:2 ² "I will make you
into a great nation and I will
bless you; I will make your
name great, and you will be a
blessing. (NIV)**

2. The Blessing Spoken by People To God

Psalm 103:1-2 ¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, *bless* his holy name. ² Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

3. The Blessing Spoken By God To Things

Deuteronomy 28:4-5 ⁴ The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock—the calves of your herds and the lambs of your flocks. ⁵ Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed. (NIV)

4. The Blessing Spoken From One Person to Another.

Genesis 47:7 ⁷ Then Joseph brought his father Jacob in and presented him before Pharaoh. After Jacob blessed Pharaoh, (NIV)

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2 Blessing Principles

1. God Chooses to Bless Us **(God's Desire)**

Deuteronomy 28:1-2 If you fully obey the LORD your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. ² All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the LORD your God: (NIV)

2. We Choose to Receive God's Blessings By Our Obedience .

Deuteronomy 28:15 ¹⁵ However, if you do not obey the LORD your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come upon you and overtake you: (NIV)



Blessing Basics

(Based on Malachi 3:6-10)

1. We Are Responsible To Do Our Part.

Malachi 3:10 ¹⁰ Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it. (NIV)

2. We Are To Recognize God's Rights In Our Lives.

Leviticus 27:30 ³⁰ "A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is holy to the LORD. (NIV)

Malachi 3:7-8

⁷ Ever since the time of your forefathers you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you," says the LORD Almighty. "But you ask, 'How are we to return?' ⁸ "Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. "But you ask, 'How do we rob you?' "In tithes and offerings. (NIV)

3. We Are To Release God's Blessings Upon Us .

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When The Windows of Heaven are Opened . . .

Over your home there is **Joy & Happiness**

Over your mind there is **Peace & Comfort**

Over your soul there is **Contentment**



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