

EPHESIANS 1:1-4

Blessings

to God

for Blessing us with spiritual Blessings

Eph 1:3 Blessed be the *God* and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

The giver.....God, Father of Jesus

Quantity.....Every, none lacking

Type.....Spiritual versus physical

Location of the blessings.....Heavenly

GOD THE FATHER HATH BLESSED US

THERE ARE FOUR IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

1. WHO IS DOING THE BLESSING? The answer is always **GOD**

2. WHO IS BLESSED? The answer is always **US**

3. HOW ARE WE BLESSED? The answer is always **BY CHRIST**

4. WHERE ARE WE BLESSED? The answer is always **IN CHRIST**

**LOOK AT HOW MANY TIMES THESE THINGS
ARE STATED IN JUST THE FIRST 13 VERSES**

IN CHRIST

IN CHRIST IS USED 87 TIMES IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

THE TERM IS USED 12 TIMES IN EPHESIANS

IN HIM IS USED 72 TIMES IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

IN HIM IS USED 6 TIMES IN EPHESIANS

WHEN A TERM IS USED 159 TIMES IN THE N.T. IT IS IMPORTANT

THERE IS ONE VERY IMPORTANT THING IT MEANS

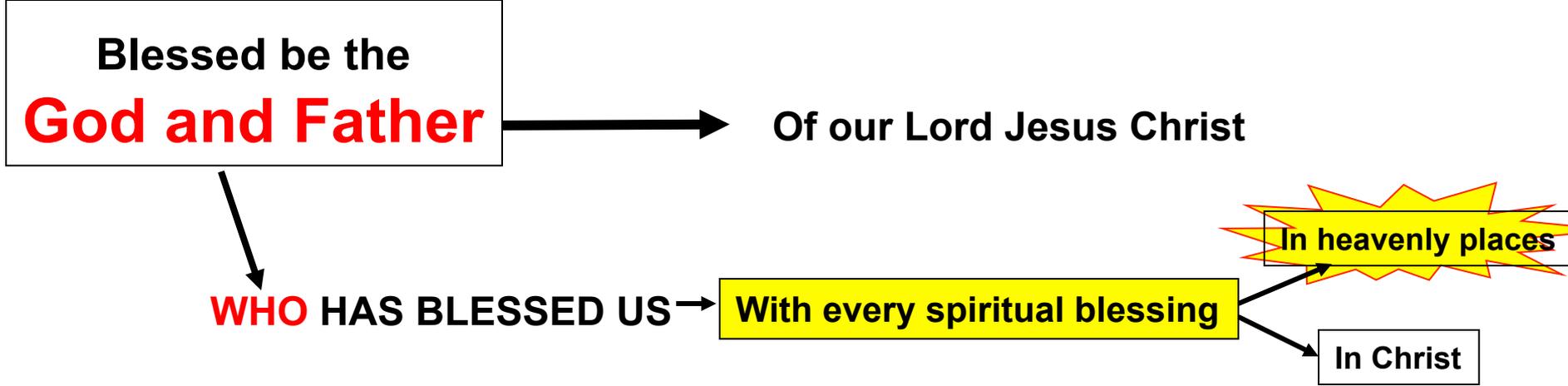
In him and in his body would have to mean the same thing.

Eph. 1:23 & Col. 1:18

If you are in **the church** you are in **his body**

If you are in **his body** you would have to be **in him**





Eph 1:20 which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and made him **to sit at his right hand in the heavenly (places),**

Eph 2: 6 and raised us up with him, and made us to **sit with him in the heavenly (places), in Christ Jesus:**

Eph 3:10 to the intent that now unto the **principalities and the powers in the heavenly (places)** might be made known through the church the manifold wisdom of God,

Eph 6:12
For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world-rulers of this darkness, **against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly (places).**

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**TWO MEN WHO ATE WITH ABRAHAM AND THEN WENT TO SODOM
TURNED OUT TO BE ANGELS**

Gen. 18 & 19

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A SPIRITUAL BEING SHOWED UP IN THE FIERY FURNACE

Dan. 3:24-25

Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished; and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?"

They answered and said to the king, "True, O king."

25 "Look!" he answered, **"I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."**

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ELISHA SAW THOUSANDS OF SPIRITUAL BEINGS

2 Kings 6:16-17

So he answered, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." 17 And Elisha prayed, and said, "LORD, I pray, open his eyes that he may see." Then the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

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BALAAAM'S DONKEY SAW AN ANGEL & LATER BALAAAM DID
Num 22:2527

And when the donkey saw the Angel of the LORD, she pushed herself against the wall and crushed Balaam's foot against the wall; so he struck her again. 26 Then the Angel of the LORD went further, and stood in a narrow place where there was no way to turn either to the right hand or to the left. 27 And when the donkey saw the Angel of the LORD, she lay down under Balaam; so Balaam's anger was aroused, and he struck the donkey with his staff.

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GOD'S FIGHTING ANGEL TALKS WITH DANIEL

Dan. 10:18-21

Then again, the one having the likeness of a man touched me and strengthened me. And he said, "O man greatly beloved, fear not! Peace be to you; be strong, yes, be strong!"

So when he spoke to me I was strengthened, and said, "Let my lord speak, for you have strengthened me."

Then he said, "Do you know why I have come to you? And now I must return to fight with the prince of Persia; and when I have gone forth, indeed the prince of Greece will come. But I will tell you what is noted in the Scripture of Truth. (No one upholds me against these, except Michael your prince.

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THE ARCHANGEL REBUKES THE DEVIL

Jude vvs. 8-9

Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!"

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LITTLE ONES HAVE THEIR ANGEL LOOKING AFTER THEM

Matt. 18:10

"Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven. 11 For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost.

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AN ANGEL RELEASE PETER FROM PRISON

Acts 12:7-9

Now behold, an angel of the Lord stood by him, and a light shone in the prison; and he struck Peter on the side and raised him up, saying, "Arise quickly!" And his chains fell off his hands. 8 Then the angel said to him, "Gird yourself and tie on your sandals"; and so he did. And he said to him, "Put on your garment and follow me." 9 So he went out and followed him, and did not know that what was done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision.

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ANGELS ARE MINISTERING SPIRITS SERVING US
Heb 1:14

Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?