

## Thanks Living!

*After shopping at a busy store, two women happened to leave at the same time, only to be faced with the daunting task of finding their cars in the crowded expanse of the parking lot. Just then a car horn beeped, and one was able to locate her vehicle easily.*

*Wow," the other woman said. "I sure could use a gadget like that to help me find my car."*

*"Actually," the first woman replied, "that's my husband behind the wheel."*

There is no doubt: gadgets, electronics, and all sorts of mechanical items have made life a lot easier to live. We have great blessings to live in this century, even this new millenium. However, it seems the easier it is for us to be independant, the harder it is for us to appreciate what God has done. One thing of course would be to allow us to develop technologically!

Remember the old "cheer" "2-4-6-8 who do we ap-pre-ci-ate?" The answer to that must ultimately be God! Listen to this:

**Ephesians 1:3-12**      *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.*

Look at all the blessings and priviledges we have in Christ! Notice the end result, "so that we might be to the praise of HIS glory! Happy Thanksgiving! Remember to **LIVE** thankfully!

Love to all,  
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