

December 14 Questions

- 1) In the first half of Ephesians, Paul shared what God is doing through the _____ in the _____ by the _____. Before the creation of the world, God sovereignly and graciously _____ (elected) Jesus to be the one through whom the world would be saved (Eph 1:4). This teaches us that election is _____, that is, election is realized and centered “_____ Christ.” God also _____ (predestined) that all who repent of their sins and believe in Christ would be spiritually _____ with Him and _____ as sons (Eph 1:5). This teaches us that our election is both _____ and _____. It is corporate in the sense that our status as elect comes only from being united by faith _____ Christ. We are elect because we are “in _____,” the elect One. It is conditional in the sense that our election is based on our _____ to God’s requirements of faith and repentance. This means that no one is predestined to be saved or lost. Rather, _____ men are called to believe in Christ (Matt 22:14) and those who “_____ in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel” shall be saved (Col 1:22–23). Paul went on to say that everyone, whether _____ or _____, must place their faith in Jesus Christ for salvation. When they do, they are _____ from death to spiritual life and are made “_____ together with Christ” (Eph 2:5). This teaches us that Christ’s body, the _____, is made up of all those who are “in Christ.” This wonderful truth is the _____ of Christ, that “the Gentiles are fellow heirs, _____ of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel” (Eph 3:6).