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Locating Myself in the Story that Matters Most

Ephesians 1:4-10 NLT

EPHESIANS 1:1-2 (NLT)

1 This letter is from Paul, chosen by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus. I am writing to God's holy people in Ephesus, who are faithful followers of Christ Jesus. 2 May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.

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We belong.

Matthew 7:9-11

9 “You parents—if your children ask for a loaf of bread, do you give them a stone instead? 10 Or if they ask for a fish, do you give them a snake? Of course not! 11 So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, **how much more** will your heavenly Father give good gifts to those who ask him.”

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