***Whose Are You?***

Ephesians 1:7-12

*You and I get to be fully embraced by the Father*

*BECAUSE of Jesus!*

**I Have a Redeemer.**

**Colossians 1:13-14 (NIV)**
13  For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, 14  in whom we have *redemption, the forgiveness of sins*.

**1 Peter 1:18-19 (NIV)**
18  For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, 19  but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

**Revelation 5:9 (NIV)**
And they sang a new song: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.”

**I have a Reason.**

**Deuteronomy 32:9 (NIV)**

For the LORD's portion is his people, Jacob his allotted inheritance.

*How does the Bride look?*

**I have a Ruler.**

**Colossians 1:18 (NASB)**
He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have *first place in everything*.

*Is Jesus in the preliminaries of my life?*

*The finals? the podium? the top step?*

**Philippians 2:9-11 (NIV)**
9  Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 10  that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11  and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*Is God good? Does He have my best at heart?*

*What is it about this God you (and I) don’t like?*