

True Vine's Virtual VBS 2020 Grades 2-3

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Week 2 At Sea: Adopted into God's Family, Ephesians 1:5

- Deck Plan- Ephesians 1:1-10
- Key Card- God predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will.

• Main Seating- Jesus has set us free from being disobedient and from punishment. So, do not let disobedience lead you. Let God's Spirit lead you. Then you can live free like God's child and not be afraid. God adopted us. That is why we call God "Father." So, we must behave like God's children. We are in Jesus' family. We share in Jesus' trouble. But we may also share in good times with Jesus. God gives us everything that He gives Jesus.

• Bridge/Docking- Adoption: The act of legally accepting someone as your own child. Grace: The mercy or kindness that God shows to us. Predestined: to have planned something beforehand.

Paul wanted the believers in Ephesus to thank God. God had a plan that would allow everyone who believed in Jesus Christ to be a part of His family. Because we believe in Jesus Christ, we are a part of God's family. God predestined this, which means He made a plan before the earth was made. Because of God's grace- His gift to us because of His love for us- our sins are forgiven. Jesus Christ gave up His life to save us from our sins (wrongdoing). God accepts us as His children, and we belong to God's family. God adopts us into His family. This was God's plan.

Read about Nelson Mandela this week and see what family he was adopted into.

The Browns are still cruising! At dinner, the Brown family was seated with another family at their table, and everyone was talking and laughing. They were thankful for their new friends and enjoyed sharing their adoption story.

