

THE WILL OF HIS COUNSEL

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HIS will
shall be
established!

Isa. 14:24, 27

²⁴ The LORD Almighty has
sworn,

“Surely, as I have planned, so it
will be,

and as I have purposed,
so it will happen.

²⁷ For the LORD Almighty has
purposed, and who can thwart
him?

His hand is stretched
out, and who can turn it back?

Hebrews 6:17

Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath.

Ephesians 1:3-14

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. ⁴ For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love ⁵ he^[a] predestined us for adoption to sonship^[b] through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—

Ephesians 1:3-14

⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, ⁹ he^[c] made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, ¹⁰ to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.

Ephesians 1:3-14

¹¹ In him we were also chosen, ^[d] having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, ¹² in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 1:3-14

¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.



❖ He has chosen us.


⁴ For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight.

❖ He has
predestined us.
(VS. 5)

In love he
predestined us for
adoption to sonship
through Jesus
Christ, in
accordance with his
pleasure and will—

He has
accepted
us.
(VS. 6)

...to the praise of
his glorious
grace, which he
has freely given
us in the One he
loves.



❖ He has given
us
redemption.
(VS. 7)

In him we have
redemption throu
gh his blood, the
forgiveness of
sins, in
accordance with
the riches of
God's grace...




❖ He has given us wisdom
(VS. 8)

...that he lavished on
us. With all wisdom
and understanding,

❖ He has made known the mystery of His will. (VS. 9)

...he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,



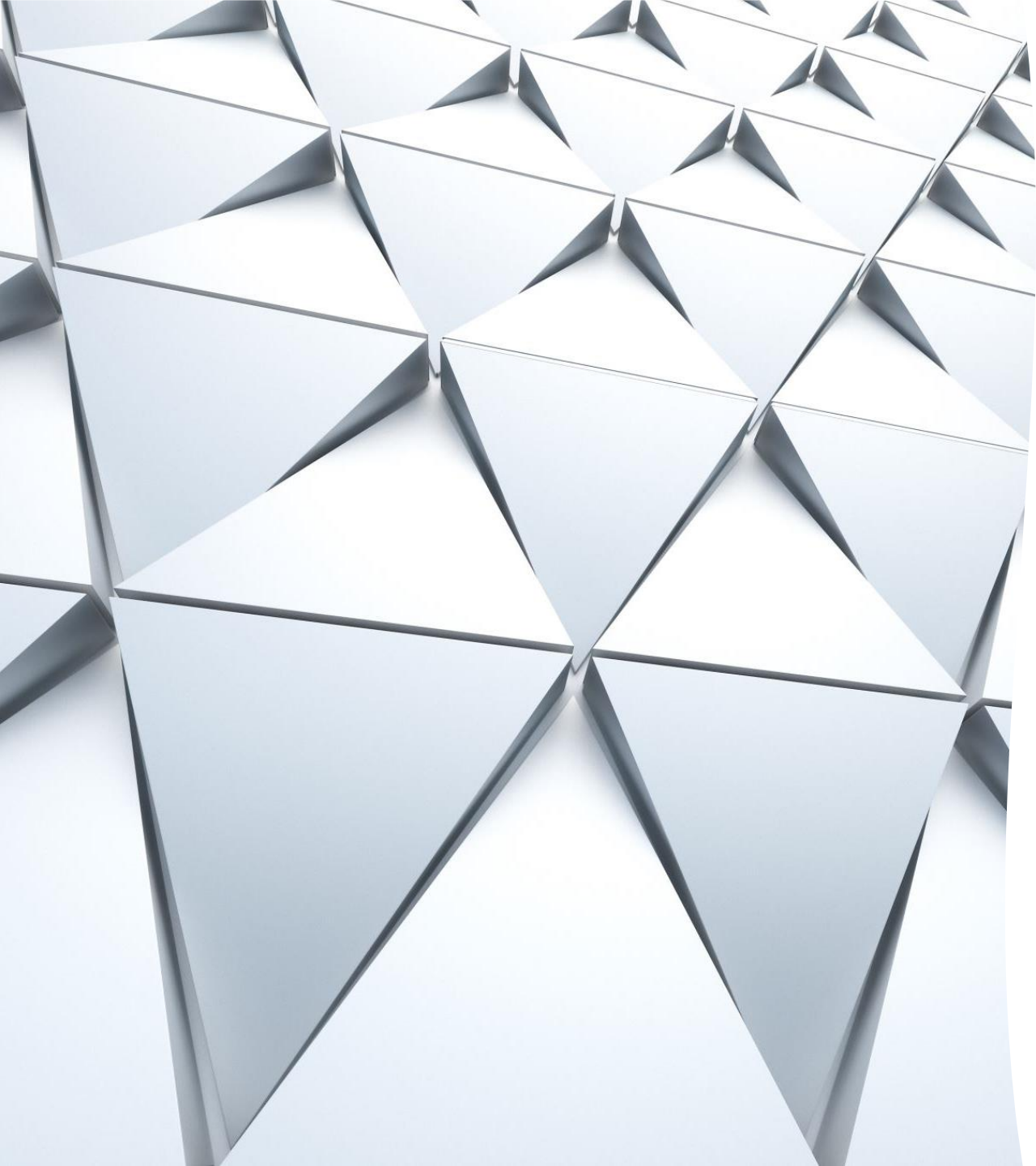
❖ Bring all things
under Christ. (VS. 10)

...to be put into effect
when the times reach
their fulfillment—to
bring unity to all
things in heaven and
on earth under Christ.



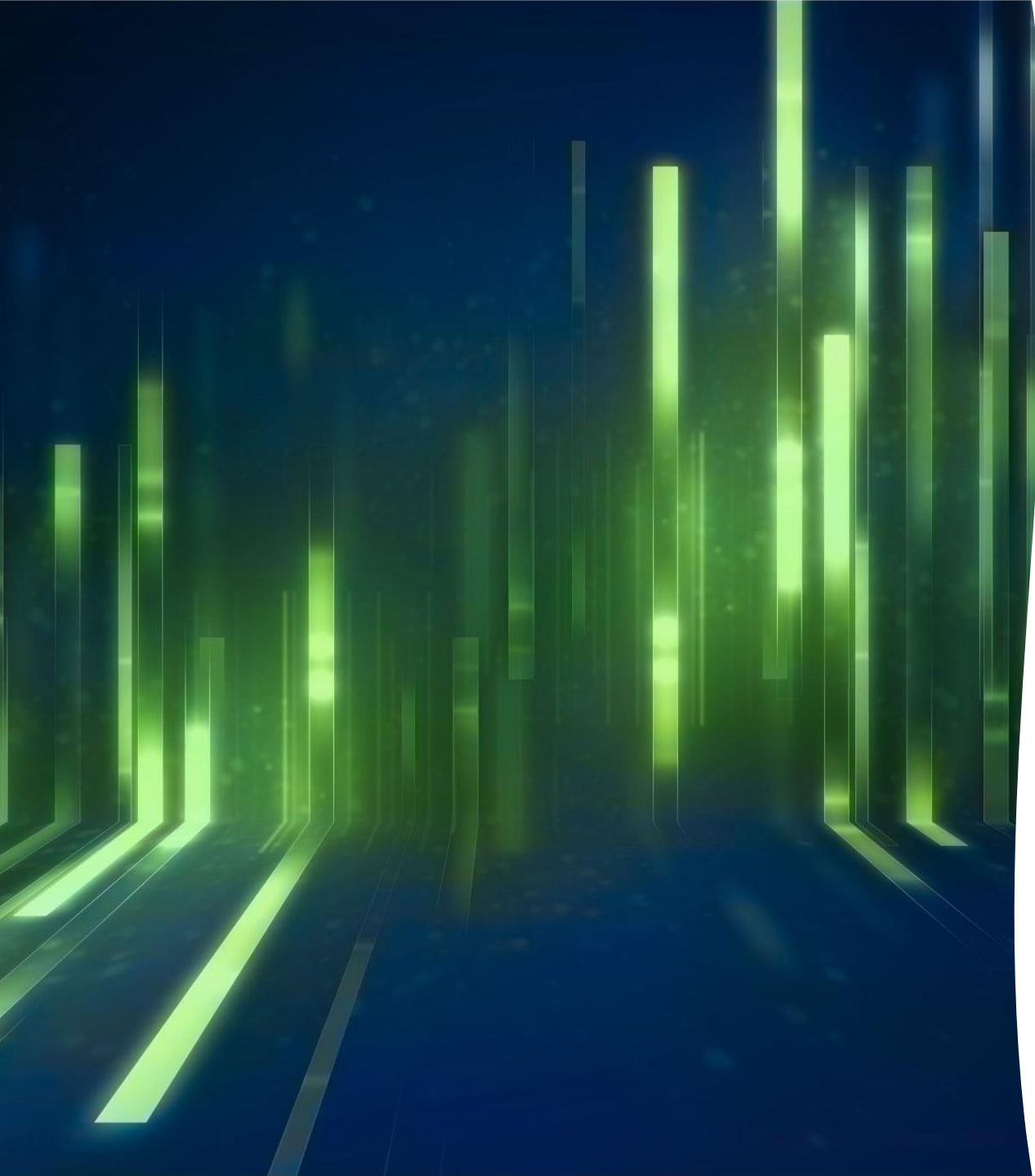
Give us our
position. (VS. 11)

In him we were also
chosen, having been
predestined according
to the plan of him who
works out everything
in conformity with the
purpose of his will,



I am sealed by the Spirit. (VS. 13)

¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,



I receive my inheritance.
(VS. 14)

...who is a deposit
guaranteeing our
inheritance until the
redemption of those who
are God's possession—to
the praise of his glory.

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