

L24 | Ephesians | "In Whom We Have Redemption Pt. 2" | Eph. 1:7-12

I. Intro/Review:

- Redemption
 - Repurchase of captured goods or prisoners; the act of procuring the deliverance of persons or things from the possession and power of captors by the payment of an equivalent; ransom; release; as the redemption of prisoners taken in war; the redemption of a ship and cargo.
 - Deliverance from bondage, distress, or from liability to any evil or forfeiture, either by money, labor or other means.
- 1. Denotes (a selling into)bondage, poverty, predicament (of person, land, possession, etc)
 - (i.e. - bondage to sin, soul needs deliverance)
- 2. Denotes the price for repurchase (ransom) determined by judgment by authority
 - (i.e. - for man it ceaseth forever - God Himself)
 - 1 Tim. 2:6
 - Rom. 3:22, 24-25
- 3. Denotes the possibility of repurchase and deliverance
 - (i.e. - Rev. 13:8; Acts 2:23)
- 4. Is the process of repurchase and deliverance
 - Rom. 3:24

II. Preview:

- The Laws of Redemption
 - 1. Laws Ordained Before the World
 - 2. The Need for Provision
 - 3. The Provision of Redemption
 - a. The Redeemer
 - b. The Cross
 - c. The Gift
 - 4. The Application of Redemption

III. Sermon:

- Laws of Redemption
 - 1. Laws Ordained Before the World
 - 2. The Need for Redemption
 - 3. The Provision of Redemption
 - 4. The Application of Redemption
 - Nostalgic - "The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe"
 - "But what does it all mean?" asked Susan when they were somewhat calmer." It means," said Aslan, "that though the Witch knew the Deep Magic, there is a magic

deeper still which she did not know. Her knowledge goes back only to the dawn of time. But if she could have looked a little further back, into the stillness and the darkness before Time dawned, she would have read there a different incantation. She would have known that when a willing victim who had committed no treachery was killed in a traitor's stead, the Table would crack and Death itself would start working backward."

- Redemption is part of the brain-child (i.e. the mind of Christ) of God. In view of God's great love to have creatures
 - **Proverbs 8:12 (Eph. 1:8)** - I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions."
 - **The Book of Life**
 - Php. 4:3
 - Rev. 3:5, **13:8**, **17:8**, 20:12, 15, 21:27

1. Laws Ordained Before the World

- Redemption is part of God's eternal purpose in Christ
- Redemption is birthed in the mind of the Godhead as they have set their heart on their purpose as such wisdom dwelt with prudence in view of their justice and "the redemption that is in Christ Jesus" was established by eternal law before the world began.
 - **Acts 4:28** - "counsel determined before to be done"
 - Acts 2:22-36
 - **Rev. 13:8** - "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world."
 - **2 Tim. 1:9** - "Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,"
 - **Tit. 1:2** - "In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;"

2. The Need for Redemption

- Part of the prudence
 - **"prudence"** - Prudence implies caution in deliberating and consulting on the most suitable means to accomplish valuable purposes, and the exercise of sagacity in discerning and selecting them. Prudence differs from wisdom in this, that prudence implies more caution and reserve than wisdom, or is exercised more in foreseeing and avoiding evil, than in devising and executing that which is good. It is sometimes mere caution or circumspection.
- Proverbs 8:22-31
 - Christ firstborn of every creature (Col. 1)

- Angels first - (Job 38:6-7)
 - Isa. 14; Eze. 28
 - Subjected the world to angels (Heb. 2)
 - Little lower than the angels
- Man second (Pro. 8:31)
- Sin founded in Lucifer (Isa. 14; Eze. 28)
 - Satan - Iniquity propagated
 - Power of death - Heb. 2:14
- Sin entered and death by sin by one man
 - Romans 5
 - Gen. 3
 - 1 Tim. 2:13ff - man first formed and the head
 - Sin through man
- All of this God knows will happen in view how He creates His creatures
 - In His wisdom and foreknowledge and prudence He discerns the evil
 - Then He doesn't say - never mind son let's not create
 - He says, we will need to provide, here is how
 - The Son is on board
 - They create - sin enters, etc.

3. The Provision of Redemption

a. The Redeemer

- **4 Qualifications**

1. **Near Kinsman**

- i. 1 Corinthians 15:45
- ii. matt. - king; mark - servant; john - fellow/God; luke - man}

Luke's genealogy diff. from Matthews as it goes back to not Abraham, but Adam (second Adam)
- iii. Qualified Redeemer

2. **Willing to Pay the Ransom Price & not forced**

- i. Plan before the ages
- ii. Philippians 2:5-8
- iii. Godly Love & Charity: Romans 5:8, Romans 12:3, John 3:16, 15:13 {John - fellow/God : no other place besides 1 John does God talk more about love}

3. **Able to Pay the Ransom fully**

- i. Deity: GodMan, virgin birth, impeccable nature (temptations)
 - 1 Tim. 2
 - John - sent from heaven

4. **Sympathetic, cannot compromise the Redeemer in any way**

- i. Forgive them Father for they know not what they do
- ii. Sympathy
 - 1) Hebrews 2:14-18, 5:6-10; Matt. 26:36, Luke 22:44
- iii. Can't pay the price and have nothing left

1. Resurrection
 - Romans 1:4
 - John 10:17-18
 - Acts 2:22-36; 3:13-18, 26
2. His Great Love (Adoption - exceeding riches)
 - Eph. 1 & 2

b. The Cross

- Death - the natural judgment of sin
 - Isa. 53
 - Php. 2
 - Rom. 3-5

c. The Gift

- Forgiveness of sins

IV. Conclusion: