

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

I. Intro/Review:

- Chosen in Him that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love
- Predestinated unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ
- The good pleasure of His will (of Him, through Him, to Him)
 - (by Christ, through Christ, in Christ, for Christ)

II. Preview:

- Redemption is the provision in view of sin and death that God may legally carry out His the good pleasure of His will.
 - Definition & Parameters of Redemption
 - Laws of Redemption
 - Laws Ordained Before the World
 - The Need for Redemption
 - Provision of Redemption
 - Application of Redemption

III. Sermon:

{:7} - "In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace;"

- Examining "redemption" from the general to the specifics to help us better understand its usage in our context.
- "redemption"
 - **Definition & Parameters of Redemption**
 - Websters 1828
 1. 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.
 2. Deliverance from bondage, distress, or from liability to any evil or forfeiture, either by money, labor or other means.
 - Leviticus
 - Leviticus 25:23-24 - when the land doesn't enjoy her sabbaths it will be sold, but not forever for their will be a redemption

- Leviticus 25:25
 - Poverty, then a judgment and transaction "sold away some of some of his possession"
 - Redeem it - to repurchase, to get it back
 - Himself redeem (Pro. 13:8)
 - Kin redeem
 - Redemption Money - Num. 3:49
 - "**ransom**" - The money or price paid for the redemption of a prisoner or slave, or for goods captured by an enemy; that which procures the release of a prisoner or captive, or of captured property, and restores the one to liberty and the other to the original owner.
- Exodus
 - Exodus 21:28-31 - ransom determined by judgment by authority
- Summary
 - Redemption denotes
 1. Denotes (a selling into)bondage, poverty, predicament (of person, land, possession, etc)
 2. Denotes the price for repurchase (ransom) determined by judgment by authority
 3. Denotes the possibility of repurchase and deliverance
 4. Is the process of repurchase and deliverance
 - 1. Denotes (a selling into) bondage, poverty, predicament (of person, land, possession, etc)
 - We are dealing with "man" in a bondage, poverty, and predicament - yet not an earthly one, not one we can deliver ourselves from or someone else delivering ourselves from.
 - Ps. 49:6ff
 - Because of sin before God
 - Predicament isn't between man and man for man's repurchase
 - Predicament is between God and man that which man cannot repurchase
 - Sold to him who had the power of death - judge by God who hath the power of judgment
 - Heb. 2:14-15
 - 2. Denotes the price for repurchase (ransom) determined by judgment by authority

- a. God Himself is the judge and determines the wages (Christ)
 - Jn. 5:22, 27, 30
 - Acts 17:31
 - Rom. 2
 - Heb. 9:27
- b. The Wages
 - Rom. 6
 - 2 The. 1
 - Heb. 6:2
- 3. Denotes the possibility of repurchase and deliverance
 - If the ransom is met as determined by judgment of authority and that authority's laws justice will be met and satisfied, as well as, deliverance can be had.
- 4. Is the process of repurchase and deliverance

• **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."

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;"

IV. Conclusion: