

A CELEBRATION OF PRAISE: OUR REDEMPTION

Ephesians 1:7-14

From Pastor Curt

Paul begins his letter to the Ephesians with a celebration of praise for our redemption. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit were all involved in our redemption. Our personal and corporate response should be endless praise (Psalm 150).

BRIEF REVIEW:

I. A Celebration of Praise - God the Father (1:4-6)

1. He Chose Us (4).
2. He Adopted Us (5).
3. He Accepted Us (6).

****Summary #1 - God the Father Planned Our Redemption.***

II. A Celebration of Praise - God the Son (1:7-12)

1. He Redeemed Us (7a)
 - *Greek: "Redeem," To Purchase, to Pay a Price
 - *1 Peter 1:18-19: "To Set Free"
2. He Forgave Us (7b)
 - *Greek: "Forgive," To Carry Away
 - *Psalm 103:12: "Removed...Transgressions"
3. He Revealed His Will to Us (8-10)
 - *Greek: "Mystery," Things Hidden...Now Revealed
 - *Colossians 1:15-18: "God is Sovereign"
4. He Made Us An Inheritance (11-12)
 - *Greek: "Inheritance," Wrapped Up In Christ
 - *1 Peter 1:3-4: "Reserved In Heaven"

****Summary #2 - God the Son Purchased Our Redemption.***

III. A Celebration of Praise- God the Holy Spirit

1. He Sealed Us (13)
 - *Greek: "Sealed," Ownership, He Tagged Us
 - *Romans 8:16-17, "We Belong to Christ," "We are Protected"
2. He Gave Us a Guaranteed Inheritance (14)
 - *Greek: "Earnest," Down Payment
 - *2 Corinthians 5:5: "Holy Spirit...Guarantee"
 - *Illustration: Engagement Ring
 - *1 Corinthians 1:9-10

****Summary #3 - God the Holy Spirit Sealed Our Redemption.***

CONCLUSION:

A Celebration of Praise... Our Redemption (1:3-14)

1. God the Father Planned Our Redemption (1:3-6).
2. God the Son Purchased Our Redemption (1:7-12).
3. God the Holy Spirit Sealed Our Redemption (1:3-6).

Psalm 150:

- *Psalm of Praise
- *All the Musical Instruments
- *Let Everything That Has Breath...Praise the LORD

TO DISCUSS WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS:

1. How did the biblical truths of Ephesians 1:7-14 (and especially verse 7) impact you?
2. How often during your week are you praising and expressing your praise and gratitude to God for your redemption?

FOR NEXT TIME – Pray for Pastor Dave as he presents the “Heritage, Heroes, Hope” Patriotic Celebration for the 4th of July.