# **Redeemed From?**

Before people can have a steadfast, Abraham type of faith for the healing of their finances, bodies and souls they must be rid of all uncertainty concerning God's will in the matter.

Appropriating faith cannot go beyond one's knowledge of the revealed will of God

This material may be protected by copyright.Gal 3:13 (TPT) Yet, Christ paid the full price to set us free from the curse of the law. He absorbed it completely as he became a curse in our place. For it is written: "Everyone who is hung upon a tree is doubly cursed."

Gal 3:14 (TPT) Jesus, our Messiah, was cursed in our place and in so doing, dissolved the curse from our lives, so that all the blessings of Abraham can be poured out upon even non-Jewish believers. And now God gives us the promise of the wonderful Holy Spirit who lives within us when we believe in him.

Gal 3:29 (TPT) And since you've been united to Jesus the Messiah, you are now Abraham's "child" and inherit all the promises of the kingdom realm!

## What are you Redeemed from?

- Poverty
- Sickness
- Spiritual Death

Some people seem to have the idea that if a person is a Christian, a believer in God, it is a mark of humility—a mark of godliness—for him to live in poverty and not have anything.

But is that actually written? Or is it assumed?

## What is poverty?

**poverty** pŏv'ər-tē

- 1. The state of being poor; lack of the means of providing material needs or comforts.
- 2. Deficiency in amount; scantiness.
- 3. Unproductiveness; infertility.

<u>Lack</u>? Psa 34:9 (NASB) Fear the LORD, you His saints; For to those who fear Him there is no lack of anything.

**Deficiency**? 2Co 9:8 (NASB) And God is able to make all grace overflow to you, so that, always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed;

<u>Unproductive</u>? Gen 1:22 (NASB) God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."

Rom 12:2 (TPT) Stop imitating the ideals and opinions of the culture around you, but be inwardly transformed by the Holy Spirit through a total reformation of how you think. This will empower you to discern God's will as you live a beautiful life, satisfying and perfect in his eyes.

### OUR AMBITION IS TO BE IMITATE CHRIST NOT OUR PRESENT CULTURE. TO DO THAT WE NEED A REFORMATION OF HOW WE THINK.

1 Cor 7:23 (TPT) Since a great price was paid for your redemption, stop having the mind-set of a slave. [victim, loser]

No slave talk - only freeman talk.

Gal 3:29 (TPT) And since you've been united to Jesus the Messiah, you are now Abraham's "child" and inherit [receive] all the promises of the kingdom realm!

Abraham's blessing is ours! They can't take it away from us anymore. Those doubters, unbelievers, joy killers, and doubt peddlers will not be able to take it away from us. Abraham's blessing is mine—Abraham's blessing is yours—through Jesus Christ! Hallelujah!

Abraham's blessing was a threefold blessing. The first thing God promised Abraham was that He was going to make him rich.

Again what is rich? Is it a dollar amount?

Is a man with a million dollars in the bank rich?

If that same man owes 2 million to creditors is he still rich?

I think that a rich man is a man who owes no one anything but to love them, has no stress because he always has enough to meet his obligations and enough left over to bless others in measurable ways.

I've met Christians who are afraid of money they are more comfortable being poor why?

Cause they will often say, "The love of money is the root of all evil"

1Ti 6:10 (NASB) For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

1Ti 6:10 (TPT) .... Some people run after it so much that they have given up their faith. Craving more money pushes them away from the faith into error, compounding misery in their lives!

You could be guilty of that sin and not have a dime. It's not wrong to have money; it's wrong for money to have you.

Another verse I've heard misquoted for years even from TV pulpits

#### Blessed are the poor

When folks say that, believe that what they are saying is your, my, our poverty is a blessing.

But that ain't written.

What is written is Mat 5:3 (NASB) "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Mat 5:3 (CEV) God blesses those people who depend only on him. They belong to the kingdom of heaven!

We must be convinced that God has redeemed us from poverty or we won't have the faith to believe for God's truth to become our reality.

Most of you are far more teachable than I am.

My wife would vouch for this, I can be really hard headed.

When I got saved, my zeal outran my wisdom and that wasn't hard cause I had no wisdom.

I believed poverty promoted holiness.

It took me a year of studying the book of Proverbs and everything that Paul wrote about a Christians relationship to money (I've written a book on that subject).

It took a full year for God to remove my uncertainty about His desire to bless all of His children.

Pro 10:22 (NASB) It is the blessing of the LORD that makes rich, And He adds no sorrow to it.

I know that fools die for lack of understanding and I don't wanna die so I seek understanding.

I have never been a lazy man. I have never been unemployed.

Anytime I was in-between jobs - my job was to find a job. So I would look from 8-5.

I have walked into business and created my own position, talked them into hiring me.

Yet, I was always broke! Always!

I dreaded the phone ringing cause more times than not it was a creditor.

It didn't matter how hard I worked, it didn't matter how many jobs I worked.

My faith couldn't help me cause I didn't believe.

But after a year of intensive study I was convinced!

Php 4:19 (TPT) I am convinced that my God will fully satisfy every need you have, for I have seen the abundant riches of glory revealed to me through the Anointed One, Jesus Christ!

Notice that Paul says I am convinced.

Faith is a conviction not a question.