

## Love Deeply 1 Peter 1:18-25

For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. 20 He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. 21 Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

22 Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart. 23 For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

24 For,

"All men are like grass,  
and all their glory is like the flowers of the field;  
the grass withers and the flowers fall,

25 but the word of the Lord stands forever."

And this is the word that was preached to you. (1 Peter 1:18-25 NIV)

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(1 Peter 1:18-19 NIV)

Nothing in this world can purchase your salvation.

We are redeemed by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone.

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God's children are redeemed from:

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So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. 18 They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. 19 Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, with a continual lust for more. (Ephesians 4:17-19 NIV)

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"the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect." (1 Peter 1:19 NIV)

He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. (1 Peter 1:20 NIV)

Christ's death on the cross is God's first and only plan to redeem mankind.

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No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known. (John 1:18 NIV)

Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father.... (John 14:9 NIV)

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart. (1 Peter 1:22 NIV)

Being purified from sin enables you to love others.

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The things of this world will wither and fall but life through Jesus Christ is eternal.