

THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS

PAUL'S PRISON EPISTLE

CHAPTER 1:7-8

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TITLE:

"OUR GREAT REDEMPTION - PART 2"

THE BELIEVERS PLACE, IS IN THE CHRIST

THEME:

Ephesians 1:3

*"Blessed be the God and Father of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,
who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ."*

INTRODUCTION

Redemption:

Is the account, the record of the Bible !!!

In My Bible there are (3) pages dedicated to the (A) creation events and (B) to the dwelling of man and (C) man's fall from paradise & fellowship with God - (3) pages.

There are 1,959 pages dedicated to (1) topic, one only man redemption, His buying us back from the curse

Last Time: What We Have In Him; v.7

a) *What We Have In Him Is Redemption*

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Redemption 629 apolutrosis (ap-ol-oo'-tro-sis

To ransom in full. To conceal the obligations held against another

#1 The Repayment of Sin's Debt

#2 The Removing of the Curse of the Law

#3 The Release from Sin's Control

b) *What We Have In Him Is Forgiveness*

***Forgiveness** **859 aphasis (af'-es-is)**
To be pardon from judgement. To grant forgiveness, to set at liberty

#1)

The World is in Need of Forgiveness "Positional" -
Alienation

#2)

The Christian is in Need of Forgiveness "Practically" -
Communally

c) *What We Have In Him The Riches of His Grace*

***Riches** **4149 ploutos (plooo'-tos)**
A fullness of wealth (literally) money, possessions, or
(Figuratively) abundance, valuable

***Grace** **5485 charis (khar'-ece)**
The divine influence upon the -- acceptable, benefit, favor, a gift, pleasure!

I mentioned something last
week...

THAT WHENEVER FORGIVENESS IS EXTENDED -

SOMEONE MUST PAY & SOME ONE MUST SUFFER AND THE ONE WHO SUFFERS IS THE ONE WHO PAY'S

1.) Jesus Has Redeemed Us Back

v.8

abound

GRK 4052 perisseuo (per-is-syoo'-o

To super abound (in quantity and quality, to super excel:

To supply an overabundance, to be more than enough

a) By Paying the Price

Romans 2:4 **the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering,**

Romans 11:33

Oh, **the depth of the riches** both of **the wisdom and knowledge** of God!

Ephesians 1:7

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to **the riches of His grace**

Ephesians 1:18

The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, **what are the riches of the glory** of His inheritance in the saints

Ephesians 2:7

That in the ages to come he might shew **the exceeding riches of His grace** in His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 3:8

Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles **the unsearchable riches of Christ;**

Ephesians 3:16

That He would grant you, **according to the riches of His glory**, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man

b) By Cancelling the Debt (Future Debt too)

c) By Securing the Transaction

Colossians 1:13

He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

Philippians 2:6

Who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

*Jesus will never again be, what He once was in
eternity*

*(Not that He is less, but that He is now a man,
the God-Man forever)*

The Emmaus Road Encounter

2.) Jesus Has Redeemed Us From

a) From the Judgement to Come

Becomes man's only path after rejecting Christ

How Great Is Has the Judgement Been
Removed?

God had said;

Genesis 2:17

"But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

The Love of God for You
Resulted in God taking Action against
the Very Sin that Separated you
from Him...

~~~~~ In doing so ~~~~~

Jesus met all the demands of the righteous  
& holy law

### c) From the Wrath to Come

Wrath becomes the mode of payment for sin

Matthew 27:45

Now from the sixth hour until the ninth hour there was darkness over all the land. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

The Darkness Symbolizing The Sins of  
the World

Habakkuk 1:13

You are of purer eyes than to behold evil, and cannot look on wickedness. Why do You look on those who deal treacherously, and hold Your tongue when the wicked devours a person more righteous than he?

### c) From the Death to Come

Death becomes the place of payment for those who refuse the provisions made available

## Turn to John 8:3

The Woman Caught in the Act

(vv. 7)

What we often forget is

-There was one present who was without sin...

>>>>>>>> He was justified to kill her <<<<<<<<

### 3.) Jesus Has Redeemed Us For

#### a) For His Pleasure

It Pleased the Father  
To have sacrificed His son For You

Ephesians 2:10

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. (NKJ)

b) For His Glory

God will forever be praised in eternity for what He has  
done for us...

Even the fall will result to His Praise

c) For His Name

Ezekiel 18:20

"The soul who sins shall die. The son shall not bear the guilt of the father,

God Loves His Creation... He Loves the Human Race

So the Redemptive Process Began;

Numbers 15:28

`So the priest shall make atonement for the person who sins unintentionally, when  
he sins unintentionally before the LORD, to make atonement for him; and it shall be forgiven  
him..

*But How?*

The Fact Remains...  
(The Soul That Sinneth it...)

- God's Judgment Demanded Payment

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## God's Holiness Demanded Justice And Justice Demands Death

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### Jesus died for God

In the sense that God's Name had to be vindicated of What He had decreed...

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|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1) | Jesus' Sacrifice <b>upheld</b> all the holy demands of the law    | The Word    |
| 2) | Jesus' Sacrifice <b>met</b> all the holy demands of the law       | The Need    |
| 3) | Jesus' Sacrifice <b>fulfilled</b> all the holy demands of the law | The Problem |

- Jesus Died for Man - To Provide The Way to Heaven
- Jesus Died for God - To Vindicate His Holy Word

It's what Jesus was referring to when He said...

John 8:28

"When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things. :29 "And He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him."

Hebrews 12:2

Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross

- God's Judgment - Demanded Payment
- God's Mercy - Extended a Reprieve  
Withholding His Judgment
- God's Grace - Provided Forgiveness  
Showered the offender with goodness

1 Timothy 2:4

It is God... who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. :5 For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, :6 who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time

Galatians 4:4

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, :5 to redeem those who were under the law

**Mercy is God's Withholding of Our Judgment**

**Grace is God's Outpouring of Forgiveness**

Ephesians 2:8

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, :9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

*Our Guaranteed Success as Christians*  
Is anchored to the "Riches Found in Christ"

- All That He has Done
- All That He has Said
- All That He has Given
- All That He Is...

Available to you tonight is everything you need to  
overcome the world and its curve balls

## Verse 8

# The Result of Walking in the Spirit will be the reality of...

1. *Knowing that you are Forgiven...*
2. *Knowing that you are Redeemed...*
3. *Knowing that you are Graced...*
4. *Knowing that you are Rich...*

Psalm 103:12

As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Isaiah 44:22

I have blotted out, like a thick cloud, your transgressions, and like a cloud, your sins.  
Return to Me, for I have redeemed you." (NKJ)

Jeremiah 31:34

For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

Micah 7:19

He will again have compassion on us.... He will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

(The Jewish mind regarding the sea)

Matthew 26:28

"For this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins."

Overflows onto others  
(Christians  
& Non-Christians)