



Redemption.

Ephesians 1:3-14

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Ephesians 1:7

“In him [Jesus] we have **redemption** through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace.”

REDEMPTION

dictionary
definition



**To secure the release
of someone (or
something) by the
payment of a price.**

Redemption refers supremely to the work of Christ on our behalf, whereby he purchases and ransoms us—at the price of his own life—securing our deliverance from the bondage and condemnation of sin.

Professor Ligon Duncan





A ransom is the price required for the release of the captive

1 Peter 1:18–19 NIV

...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 ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ

1 Peter 1:18–19 ESV

...**you were ransomed** from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ

REDEMPTION CLOSELY
RELATED TO RANSOM

Two stories...



THE MODEL BOAT



FREED FROM SLAVERY

**...to help us remember
& understand
redemption**

Freedom from
Legalism (slavery to law)
Licence (slavery to self)



**FREE
FROM**

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

Gal. 5:1



Eph. 2:1-3_

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath.



**Redemption means —
freedom from our
own & Satan's desires**



**REDEMPTION
APPLIED...**

...to our
hearts & lives



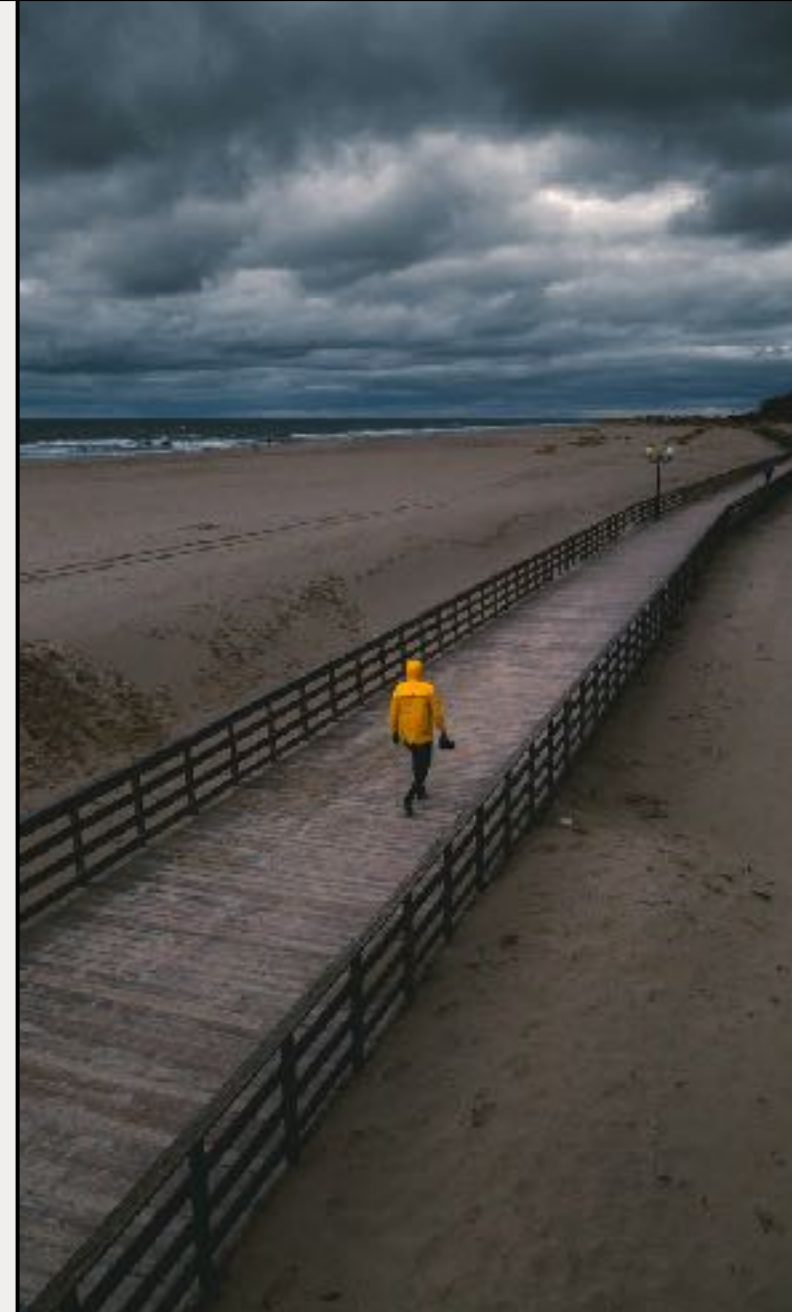
To our hearts
and lives



REDEMPTION
Applied

Do not fear

“But now, this is what the Lord says
—he who created you, Jacob, he
who formed you, Israel: “Do not
fear, for I have redeemed you; I
have summoned you by name; you
are mine.” Is. 43:1





To our hearts
and lives



REDEMPTION
Applied

Freed from your past

“I, even I, am he who blots out
your transgressions, for my
own sake, and remembers
your sins no more.” Is. 43:25





To our hearts
and lives



REDEMPTION
Applied

Don't go back into slavery

“It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.” Gal. 5:1



Isaiah 44:21—22

“Remember these things, Jacob, for you, Israel, are my servant. I have made you, you are my servant; Israel, I will not forget you. I have swept away your offences like a cloud, your sins like the morning mist. Return to me, for I have redeemed you.”



To our hearts
and lives



REDEMPTION
Applied

Come out!
Be free!

God's word to you if
you are not yet His



Isaiah 49:8—9a

“This is what the Lord says: “In the time of my favour I will answer you, and **in the day of salvation I will help you**; I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people, to restore the land and to reassign its desolate inheritances, **to say to the captives, ‘Come out,’ and to those in darkness, ‘Be free!’”**”



COMMUNION



Eph. 1:7-8a "In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us."