

# THE LIFE *and* TIMES of JESUS CHRIST

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

**“Christ and His Redemption”**

Jesus Christ Our Great High Priest

THE THEME OF THIS SERIES:

**Colossians 2:9**

**“For in Christ all the fullness of the Godhead dwells in bodily form”**

TOPICAL SUBJECT REFERENCED UNDER:

**The Believer’s Security, Salvation, Redemption**

## INTRODUCTION:

### Growing up in San Diego

*And then Orange County, maybe you can remember with me as a kid going to the local grocery store and hoping that mom would spend a lot of money on anything. Because the more costly the trip, the more “Blue Chip Redemption Stamps” I would get!*

### *This Word “Redemption”*

is an O.K. word if we can use it on our terms  
If We Can Set the Rules to It  
and the Definition of It

**PBS** Redemption,  
the Sudanese Christians and The Baroness from London

1.) Man's Need for Redemption

One Of Man's Greatest Problems Is His Inability  
**To Look At Himself Honestly,**  
*By Honestly I Mean In Light Of Truth – God's Truth*

We are extremely proficient and equally creative at  
Our own "self justification"

While many turn and criticize the world around them, the  
finger points to you, to me - - you we become the pointer!

To The Moralist

Romans 2:1-3

Therefore you are inexcusable, for whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another person, you have condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. 2 But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth ... 3 And do you think this, O sir, you who judge those practicing such things, and you go and do the same, that you will escape the judgment of God?

To The Religious

Romans 2:23

You who make your boast in the law, do you dishonor God  
through breaking the law?

## To All of Mankind

Romans 3:23

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...

Galatians 2:16

...for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.

## The Word **Redemption**

Appears over 20 times in scripture  
to ransom back, to rescue, to pay another's slave-debt

## “The Theater of Redemption”

Automatically assumes, two essential components,  
Without which there can be no Salvation.

#1 - Is The benefactor (*the one who gives*)  
and #2 - The beneficiary (*the one who receives*)

### Man's Need for Redemption

#### a.) Man Became a Fallen Creature

Genesis 2:16-17

And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; 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."

Genesis 3:6-7

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.

# Allow Me to Plead with Your Reason

You are one heartbeat away from forever. And forever never comes to end, you don't sleep there, you don't change the rules there, - but you will exist there... where will there be for you ?

Luke 19:10

"for the Son of Man has come to **seek** (make enquire) and to **save** (to find and to take custody of) that which was lost."

## Was He Lying? Was He Kidding?

## Look at You, Look at One Another

**Physically, Outwardly**

there is nothing that should suggest that

**Inwardly, Emotionally**

there is a living breathing Soul and Spirit that is the Real Person of Who you are.

Inside of Us (behind the eyes) is the hidden person

**Mankind Hates to Look at Their Friend  
in fact cocaine is a temporary deterrent**

**S.I.N. - SinFullness  
had been transmitted to the human race**

Romans 5:12

for just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned--

*via disobedience (choices)*

Man Fell Down and Can't Get Back Up Without His  
Maker,  
Not To Help Him – But to Save Him from His Sins

Jesus Didn't Die to Make Bad Men Good  
- He Died to Make Dead Men Live

Colossians 2:13

And you, being dead in your trespasses and sins

The Need for Redemption

b.) God is a Loving Creator

If God is good God  
and knows all things, then why did he put the tree in the  
garden so Eve could eat it ?

Because God Made You **Viable**, with Your Own **Volition**

# Thinkable and independent

## The Need for Redemption

### c.) Both Had Become Separated

Genesis 3:8-9

8 And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

9 Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you? (NKJ)

## The Need for Redemption

### 2.) The Act of Redemption

Mankind has an internal, often self-proclaimed, need to attempt to redeem himself from his sin

This Fact Resides in Every Human Being

"How" a Human Being Goes About to Determine Their Redemptive Acts is what energizes and populates the Cults or Occult

Because the Desire to be Liberated from Guilt or Shame is so strong a quest, a man will stop at nothing to earn it.

Romans 3:23-25

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 but now being justified freely **by** His grace **through** the redemption that is **in** Christ Jesus, 25 whom God set forth as a propitiation **by** His blood, **through** faith, to demonstrate His righteousness...

## The Act of Redemption

### a.) Had to be initiated by God

#### Genesis 3:15

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

#### Genesis 22:1-14

Now it came to pass after these things that God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." **2** And He said, "Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." **3** So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son; and he split the wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. **4** Then on the third day Abraham lifted his eyes and saw the place afar off. **5** And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the lad and I will go yonder and worship, and we will come back to you." **6** So Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife, and the two of them went together. **7** But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." Then he said, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" **8** And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So the two of them went together. **9** Then they came to the place of which God had told him. And Abraham built an altar there and placed the wood in order; and he bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, upon the wood **10** And Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son **11** But the Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am. **12** And He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me." **13** Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son **14** And Abraham called the name of the place, THE-LORD-WILL-PROVIDE; as it is said to this day, "In the Mount of The LORD it shall be provided."

## The Act of Redemption

### b.) Had to be Acceptable to God

Isaiah 53:7-10

7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; he was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth. 8 He was taken from prison and from judgment, and who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgressions of My people He was stricken. 9 And they made His grave with the wicked-- but with the rich at His death, because He had done no violence, nor was any deceit in His mouth. 10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; he has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin...

Isaiah 53:11

11 He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities.

Isaiah 53:12

Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, and He shall divide the spoil with the strong, because **He poured out His soul** unto death, and **He was numbered** with the transgressors, and **He bore the sin of many**, and **He made intercession** for the transgressors....

Jesus Prayed on the Cross 2000 years ago for you and all of your lustful thoughts, angry moods, hateful words, selfish pride

Luke 23:34

...Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." And they divided

## The Act of Redemption

### c.) It Had to be Completed by God

"Complete"

being 100% satisfactory to God and 100% able to save mankind

#### Thus Saith The Lord

in Hosea 13:14

"I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death. O Death, I will be your plague! and you Grave, I will be your destruction! Pity will be hidden from my eyes!!!

# “Hey Death, Yo Grave - - I’m Gonna Kick Your CASKET”

Acts 2:23-24

"Him – Jesus Christ, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God... has been crucified, and put to death; 24 "whom God raised up from the dead, having loosed from the pains of death, because death had no power upon Him, that He should be held by it.

1 Timothy 2:5-6

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,

“Complete”

meaning that God (the father, the son , the holy spirit) had to be completely satisfied by the “When” and the “Where” and the “How” of redemption

The When

would be the most important and specific **time** of human history

The Where

would be the most important **place** on earth

The How

would be the most important **act** of all mankind, the greatest component of all

When Would God Buy Back Man?

Where Would He Do It From?

How Would He Do Such a Thing?

2 Corinthians 5:19

for God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

## The Need for Redemption

## The Act of Redemption

### 3.) The Power in Redemption

Hebrews 7:25

Therefore He is also able to save **to the uttermost** those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.



**Uttermost grk 3838 panteles (pan-tel-ace');**

from 3956 and 5056; full-ended, i.e. entire (neuter as noun, completion):

KJV-- + in [no] wise, uttermost.

## The Power in Redemption

### a.) It Must Free Us from the Past

I Have Been Accused of Being “Very Excited” about the Lord About Evangelism, Doctrine, and Missions...

For This Key Reason

I Have Been Forgiven  
of such great sin - i knew that i had sinned against the holy God

## Our Past is Our Plague

Jesus at Simon’s House

Luke 7:47

Therefore her sins—and they are many—are forgiven, for she loved me much; but one who is forgiven little, shows little love.”

“For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,”

- 1 Peter 3:18

## The Power in Redemption

b.) It Must Satisfy Us in the Present

c.) it Must Convince Us of Our Future

# Redemption's Absolute Effectiveness

### Hebrews 9:11-17

But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. 12 Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. 13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, 14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? 15 And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance. 16 For where there is a testament, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. 17 For a testament is in force after men are dead, since it has no power at all while the testator lives.

### Hebrews 9:23-26

Therefore it was necessary that the copies of the things in the heavens should be purified with these, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. 24 For Christ has not entered the holy places made with human hands, which are copies of the true, but into heaven itself, **now to appear in the presence of God for us** 25 not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another-- 26 He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

### Hebrews 10:10-11

By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. 11 And every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins.

The Need *for* Redemption  
The Act *of* Redemption  
The Power *in* Redemption

1 John 2:16-17

16 For all that is in the world-- the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life-- is not of the Father but is of the world.

17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.... AND THIS IS THE WILL

we made him no promises that we can keep

there is therefore no condemnation

I am crucified with Christ

rom 7 near the end to rom 8:1

john 15 abiding in Christ

MY FRIEND, GOD IS AT WORK IN YOU

Philippians 2:13

for **it is God who works** in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.

MY FRIEND GOD IS NO LONGER KEEPING SCORE

Ephesians 2:15

having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace,

MY FRIEND GOD IS RECREATING IN YOU

Ephesians 4:24 - and that you put on the new man **which was created according to God**, in true righteousness and holiness.

MY FRIEND

you are so very saved if you have been born again by the Holy Spirit of God

# He's transforming us

Philippians 4:13

13 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Romans 8:31

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

John 3:18

18 "He who believes in Him is not condemned;

John 8:3-11

3 Then the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a woman caught in adultery. And when they had set her in the midst, 4 they said to Him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in adultery, in the very act. 5 "Now Moses, in the law, commanded us that such should be stoned. But what do You say?" 6 This they said, testing Him, that they might have something of which to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down and wrote on the ground with His finger, as though He did not hear. 7 So when they continued asking Him, He raised Himself up and said to them, "He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first." 8 And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. 9 Then those who heard it, being convicted by their conscience, went out one by one, beginning with the oldest even to the last. And Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. 10 When Jesus had raised Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, "Woman, where are those accusers of yours? Has no one condemned you?" 11 She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said to her, "Neither do I condemn you

Psalm 59:9

9 I will wait for You, O You his Strength; for God is my defense;  
(NKJ)

Psalm 62:6

6 He only is my rock and my salvation; he is my defense; I shall not be moved.

Redemption

Ruth 4