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## Redeemed By the Blood of the Lamb

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Introduction: We often sing songs about Jesus as our redeemer, but what you understand about the concept of redemption and Jesus as your redeemer? Let's take a look!

### I. BIBLICAL CONCEPTS OF REDEMPTION

- A. "Redemption" defined:
  - 1. Hebrew (O.T.), parak, "to tear loose, to rescue;" padah, "to ransom."
  - 2. Greek (N.T.), agorazo, "to purchase;" lutroumai, "a ransom."
- B. The law of redemption as found in Leviticus 25.
  - 1. Every seventh year was a Sabbath year of rest where no work was to be done in sowing, pruning, or harvesting a crop. (V. 4, 5)
  - 2. If you were a slave, the year of Jubilee liberated you. (V. 13)
  - 3. The original owner has original rights of redemption at Jubilee. (V. 25)
  - 4. Redemption value increases from time of sale. (V. 26-27)
  - 5. The Levites have special buy-back options. (V. 32-34)
- C. Where God is concerned, redemption of man is two-fold:
  - 1. Deliverance from bondage to peace and safety. (Cf. Ex. 6:6-8; 15:13)
  - 2. Ownership; for people to belong to Him. (1 Chron. 17:21, 22)
- D. The purchase price to save one's life from death. (Exod. 21:29-32) A lamb was required for redemption of firstborn. (13:12-15)

### II. WHAT IT MEANS THAT JESUS IS OUR REDEEMER

- A. Bondage/slavery to sin by choice. (Rom. 6:16-18; Eph. 1:1-3; Gal. 3:13; Rom. 7:23)
- B. He's our redeemer because of the high price he paid as the ransom to redeem us back into his ownership. (1 Cor. 6:20; Titus 2:14) We belong to him... again.
- C. The purchase price was his blood, the blood of a sacrificial lamb. (Eph. 1:7-12) Why did he pay with his blood? (Heb. 9:17, 18, 22; Lev. 17:11)

Conclusion: Because I have been purchased...

- 1. I see how much God values me with the deepest of all love. (John 3:16)
- 2. My soul is liberated from the greatest tragedy of all—death. I live...

- 3. I have an inheritance waiting for me, which I refuse to give up because it is the faithful reward for a faithful servant. (1 Pet. 1:4)