

# REMEMBER YOUR REDEEMER

**1 Peter 1:13-25**

Romans 6:16-22; Hebrews 8:7-13

**Pressing Forward in 2023**

**God's Eternal Purpose**

**Be Holy for I Am Holy** (1 Peter 1:13-16)

**Five Offerings of Leviticus**

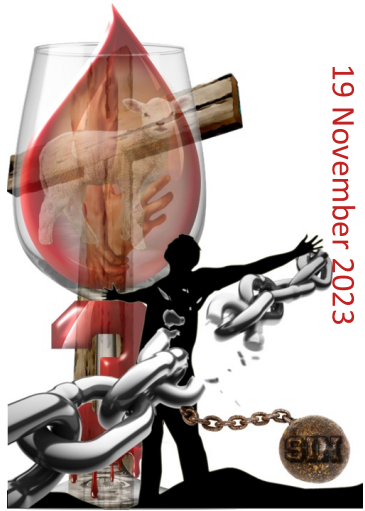
- ① **WHOLE** Burnt Offering - Christ offering Himself wholly up to God.
- ② **MEAL** Offering - Christ's perfect obedience in doing the will of God.
- ③ **PEACE** Offering - Christ becoming our peace between God and us.
- ④ **SIN** Offering - Christ coming as our Substitute.
- ⑤ **TRESPASS** Offering - Christ coming as our Surety.

**Four Cups of the Passover**

- Cup of Sanctification - God's grace in election, effectual calling, and sanctification.
- Cup of Judgment - God's grace in judging our sins **ON CHRIST** rather than on us; judgment, substitution, and propitiation.
- Unleavened Bread - Imputation; Christ, as our Surety, took upon Himself all of our sins and yet was sinless in Himself.
- Cup of Redemption - redemption.
- Cup of Praise and Hope - glorification.

**Our Need for Redemption**

- Born **SLAVES** of Satan, the world, and our own lusts. (Tit. 3:3; Eph 2:3)
  - We are **SLAVES** to **SIN**. (Romans 6:18, 20)
  - Our **WHOLE** being is in **BONDAGE**. (Hebrews 2:15)
- We are all born in **NEED** of being **SET FREE**. Our whole being is in bondage.
- God sent His Son to **SET HIS PEOPLE FREE**. (John 8:32, 36)



## Christ: Our Kinsman-Redeemer (Qualifications - Leviticus 25:47-49)

- Five requirements for a KINSMAN-REDEEMER according to the Law:
  - ① He must be **related by birth** and belong to the family of him who is to be redeemed!
  - ② He must be **able** to pay the price.
  - ③ He must be **free** himself.
  - ④ He must be **wealthy** to pay the price required.
  - ⑤ He must be **willing** to act as the redeemer of his family member.
- Christ, and Christ alone, meets the requirements to be our Kinsman-Redeemer:
  - ❶ He must be **related by birth**. He took upon Himself flesh and blood to save His brethren. (Hebrews 2:10-12; Matthew 1:21)
    - In order to be related by birth we must have the **same** Father. (See John 1:13; 3:5-8; 20:17; James 1:18; 1 Peter 1:23; 1 John 3:9)
  - ❷ He must be **able** to pay. Jesus Christ was **able** because He was “God manifested in the flesh.” (1 Timothy 3:16; Isaiah 9:6)
    - All authority and power was given to Christ. (Matt. 28:18; 11:27; John 17:2)
  - ❸ He must be **free** Himself. Christ was FREE from all SIN! (2 Cor. 5:21; Hebrews 4:15; 1 Peter 2:22; 1 John 3:5)
    - ★ Christ presented Himself as our sacrificial offering (lamb) “without blemish and without spot.” (v. 19)
  - ❹ He must be **wealthy** to pay.
    - The cost of a soul is **costly** (יָקָרַךְ yaqar {yaw-kar}).  
(Psalm 49:7-8)
    - He bought us with His **pure, blameless, precious** blood. (1 Peter 1:18-19)
    - He was RICH and became POOR for us. (2 Corinthians 8:9)
    - He was the ONLY One **able** to purchase a soul. (Psalm 49:15)
  - ❺ He must be **willing** to redeem.
    - Christ voluntarily **gave** Himself. (John 10:18; Ephesians 5:2; Galatians 2:20; Titus 2:14)
    - Christ came to give His life as a **RANSOM** (“price for a life) for many – NOT ALL. (Matthew 1:21; 20:28)

## What Does It Mean that Christ Redeemed Us?

- “to redeem” means to BUY SOMETHING.
- “to redeem” does NOT mean to make a purchase POSSIBLE.
- Christ came to REDEEM (SAVE) His people from their sins. (Matthew 1:21)
  - **EITHER HE DID IT OR HE DID NOT DO IT.**

- When someone goes into a store to make a purchase:
  - ① He **SELECTS** or **CHOOSES** what he wants.
  - ② He takes it to the cashier and he **PAYS** the **FULL PRICE** for it.
  - ③ **ONCE** he pays – it is **HIS!** (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)
  - ④ **ONCE** he pays for it he **TAKES** it for His own.
    - He **DOES NOT** *invite* the item home with him – **HE TAKES IT HOME TO BE WITH HIM.**
- (Matt 20:28) “to redeem” is “to pay a ransom” – what is a ransom?
  - ❶ To compensate for faults or bad aspects of; to make up for one’s poor past performance or behaviour.
  - ❷ To gain or regain possession of something in exchange for payment.
  - ❸ To fulfill a pledge or promise.
  - ❹ To buy the freedom of.
  - ❺ To buy back a prisoner of war!

• **Now take this term into the SLAVE MARKET!**

**NOT ALL Only the PECULIAR** (Titus 2:14)

- Modern Day English: *strange, queer, odd, uncommon, unusual*
- Old English: (1) ***belonging exclusively to one person***  
 (2) *felt to be a characteristic of only one: DISTINCTIVE*  
 (3) *different from the usual or normal*  
 (4) *something exempt from the ordinary jurisdiction of whose territory it lies.*
- Christ came to redeem God’s peculiar (special) people. (1 Peter 2:9; Titus 2:14)

**The Blood of the New Covenant** (Hebrews 8:10-12)

- ★ (v. 12) “FOR” - this little word sets the **FOUNDATION** of the New Covenant.
- ❶ (v. 12) **I WILL be merciful to their unrighteousness.**
  - “merciful” means “propitious” - remember 1 John 4:10
- ❷ (v. 12) **I WILL remember their sins and lawless deeds no more.**
  - God forgives our sins **for His own name sake!** (1 John 2:10; Isaiah 43:25)
- ① (v. 10) **I WILL put My laws in their minds.**
  - God’s people **KNOW** and **UNDERSTAND** that God’s Law is good for them. (Psalm 19)
  - God’s Law becomes the **RULE** of **LIFE** for His people. (Luke 4:4; Psalm 119:105; 43:3; 18:28; Proverbs 6:23)
- ② (v. 10) **I WILL write My laws on their hearts**
  - God’s people **LOVE** God’s Law. (Psalm 119:47, 48, 97, 113, 119, 127, 132, 159, 163, **165, 167**) - **11 times!**
  - God’s people **DELIGHT** in God’s Law. (Psalm 112:1; 119:16 [**8 times!**])

- ③ (v. 10) **I WILL be their God.**
  - This is a statement of a covenant **relationship**. (Psalm 144:15)
  - Unbelievers are without God and hope. (Ephesians 3:12)
- ④ (v. 10) **I WILL make them My people.**
  - God makes us HIS PEOPLE - not the other way around. (Eph 1:4)
  - We are a PURCHASED people. We belong to God. (1 Cor 6:19-20; Acts 20:28)
- ⑤ (v. 11) **I WILL cause them to KNOW Me.**
  - God reveals Himself to His people in an intimate way.
  - Salvation is KNOWING (***being in an intimate relationship***) with God. (John 17:3)
  - The ONLY WAY TO KNOW GOD IS FOR HIM TO REVEAL HIMSELF TO A PERSON! (Matthew 11:25-27)
  - ✘ Those who do not **KNOW GOD** (those in an intimate relationship) will be “punished with everlasting destruction”. (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9)

### **Our Response** (Titus 2:11-14)

- ★ What did God purchase **for Himself** with the blood of His Son?
- ★ Are you one of God’s peculiar/special people? If yes, then . . .
- You realize that you have been purchased with a price. (1 Corinthians 6:20) - That price is the blood of the Son of God, the Man Jesus. Who suffered the wrath of God for you. (Luke 24:25; Hebrews 2:9-10, 18; 5:8-9; 1 Peter 2:21, 23; 3:18)
- You live now knowing your BODY and SPIRIT belongs to God. (1 Cor 6:20)
- You live now as a SLAVE of Christ and righteousness.. (Luke 17:7-10; **Romans 6:16-22**; 1 John 3:1-10; Psalm 2:11; Hebrews 12:28-29)
- You live now as a SLAVE of God. (Romans 6:22; Acts 20:28)
- You live now as a SLAVE of your brothers and sisters. (Matt 20:28; Gal 5:13)
- You now deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts living soberly (by God’s standard), righteously (according to the **written** Word of God), and godly (imitating God - Ephesians 5:1) in this present age. (Titus 2:11-12)
- You are looking eagerly “for the blessed hope and glorious appearing” of our great Redeemer, God, and Saviour. (Titus 2:13; Hebrews 9:28)
- You are zealous for good works. (Titus 2:14)
  - Definition of good works. Doing whatever the LORD commands
  - Let us stir each other up to good works. (Hebrews 10:24)

**BECAUSE** your Kinsman-Redeemer came to pay the price for YOUR soul!