

Redemption

The Ultimate debt clearing solution

Redemption means freedom because of a payment made.
We were all slaves to sin.
The payment was eternal death that Jesus paid for us all.

Redemption may be summarized around three basic ideas.

1. People are redeemed _____ something; Col. 1:13,14

2. People are redeemed _____ something; Heb. 9:12
The price was the death of Jesus.

He paid a debt he did not owe; you owed a debt you could not pay.

3. People are redeemed _____ something; 1 Cor. 6:20
_____ with God.

Redemption changes religion to a relationship.

Religion – By Man: When my life takes a turn to the dark side, I get frustrated and angry with God, because I believe that if I am doing good, God will reward me.

Relation – By God: When life involves pain and hard times, I will struggle and hurt but I will cling to the belief that nothing happens that cannot be used for His glory and my good and I am loved by God.

Religion – By Man: I _____-therefore I'm accepted.

Relation – By God: I'm accepted-therefore I _____.

Religion – By Man: When I do _____, God will bless me,
when I do bad, God will judge me.

Relation – By God: When I do good, God will bless me,
when I do _____, God will bless me.

Religion – By Man: Motivation is based on lack of control and _____.

Relation – By God: Motivation is based on overwhelming love and _____.

Religion – By Man: When I am criticized or disapproved, I become devastated and depressed because my self worth is tied to what _____ think of me.

Relation – By God: When I am criticized or disapproved, I am hurt but not devastated. My identity is found in who _____ is and not in whom I was. I can evaluate the remarks and grow from them.

Religion – By Man: My main purpose of prayer is _____ others, circumstances and my own destiny. Basically, I pray the most when I need something.

Relation – By God: My main purpose of prayer is to _____ God and align my desires to His. I desire fellowship.

Religion – By Man: I interpret life through my eyes and how circumstances or others affect me. I can even use my time, talents and treasures to “help” others but in reality, I do it to help myself and expect others to help me in return.

Relation – By God: I am learning to see life through the perspective of God’s truth. I am learning to die to self and use my time, talents and treasures to bring glory to God. I love others not for what they can bring me in return but because God loves me.

Application:

1. Without a relationship with Jesus
The price is eternal death.
Let Jesus redeem you, rescue you from sin and yourself.
2. Follow of Christ
Live like you have a relationship, not like you have a religion.
What area of your life do you need to change?