

## SERMON NOTES

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**Date:** January 19, 2020

**Series:** God's Riches

**Title:** Redeemed in Christ

**Text:** Ephesians 1:7-10

**Big Idea:** In Christ, God has purchased our freedom from slavery to sin and its dreadful consequences.

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# APPLICATION GUIDE

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## REVIEW THE SERMON

What kinds of things enslave or imprison people today and where do they typically look for solutions?

What is mankind's greatest need according to Scripture and how has God met that need in Christ? Picture yourself telling a nonbeliever who doesn't know or believe in Jesus.

## APPLY THE TRUTH

1 Peter 1:18-19 says that we have been redeemed, not with perishable things like silver and gold, but with the precious blood of Jesus. In what way is his blood precious to you?

How does the preciousness of Christ's redeeming sacrifice influence the way you view ongoing sin in your life and your need for personal holiness?

What difference does the fact that you've been redeemed "according to the riches of God's grace" have on the way you see your guilt and shame?

Ephesians 1:10 speaks about the coming day when all things will be unified under the authority of Christ. How can this certainty guide your thoughts and actions amidst all of life's uncertainties?

Think about your life apart from Christ. Name three sins that used to enslave you, but from which you have been freed by Christ's blood.

No doubt there are sins that you still wrestle with. What hope do you have for change knowing that you have been redeemed and the power of sin has been broken (cf. Romans 6:1-11)?

## COMMIT THIS WEEK

Find a song that praises God for the redemption you have in Christ and uses it as a tool to lead you in worship throughout the week.