

**SUBJECT:** Special Sermons.

**TITLE:** Redeemed: Christ Is Mine.

**PROPOSITION:** To look at being redeemed by Christ and Christ being ours.

**OBJECTIVE:** To prepare us for the campaign and meeting in the coming week.

**INTRODUCTION:**

1. Read the text.

2. Regarding the text.

(1) Peter tells his readers that they were not redeemed with corruptible things, but with the precious blood of Christ.

A. The precious blood of Christ is the only thing that will redeem us or buy us back from sin (Eph. 1:7).

B. In the fulness of time Christ came to redeem those under the law (Gal. 4:4,5).

C. He gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity (Tit. 2:11-14).

(2) Next week we are going out into our community to tell people the same thing that Peter told his readers.

A. We need to make them understand that the blood of Christ is the only thing that will redeem them.

B. They need to understand that he gave himself to redeem them from all iniquity.

C. We need to work fervently to get people to understand this.

(3) What do we need to do to be ready for our campaign: Christ Is Mine?

3. Reference To S.T.P.O.

**DISCUSSION:** IN OUR LESSON LET US NOTICE THAT--

I. WE NEED TO PRAY TO GOD THAT THIS CAMPAIGN WILL BE FRUITFUL.

1. When Paul wrote the church in Thessalonica this is what he asked for (2 Thess. 3:1).

(1) The fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much (Jas. 5:16).

(2) God hears his worshippers prayers (Jno. 9:31).

2. We need to understand that without God we can do nothing (Jno. 15:1-6).

(1) This world has, for far too long, excluded God from their lives (Jdg. 17:6).

(2) In order to be able to preach the gospel the way God wants it preached, we are going to have to remember that he is in control and do things his way (Lk. 6:46).

3. So we need to be in constant prayer each day from now until the campaign that this work will go down as God would have it, and that souls will be saved and God will be glorified (Jno. 14:7).

II. WE NEED TO PREPARE OURSELVES FOR THE TASK AT HAND.

1. For most of us, this is going to put us outside of our comfort zone, but this is work that has to be done.

- (1) Not every work is going to be work that we feel comfortable with doing (Mt. 26:39).
- (2) Paul went through many hardships that were worse than just uncomfortable (2 Cor. 11:24-28).
2. Rather than say "I Can't" we need to say "I Can."
  - (1) Saying "I Can't" would never have spread the gospel to every creature (Col. 3:23).
  - (2) Saying "I Can't" would never have held back the tide of false doctrine that brethren held back 40 years ago (Rom. 16:17,18; Jude 3).
3. We are going to have to convince ourselves that we "Can" do this and that we "Will" do this.

### III. WHEN THE TIME COMES, LET'S GET ON WITH THE TASK AT HAND.

1. Paul reproved the church in Corinth for making plans but not carrying them out (2 Cor. 8:10,11).
  - (1) We have made the plans, all things have been set in motion.
  - (2) We have been marking our Bibles, and practicing what we are going to do.
2. Now it is time, to go out and do what we have planned and prepared for so long.
  - (1) Tell someone about the redeeming power of the blood of Jesus Christ (Col. 1:14).
  - (2) Knock on the door and hand someone the brochure and ask if you can study the Bible with them (Acts 5:41).
3. Let us rely on God's power, the gospel, and our willingness to take it to the lost and God has promised it will not return to him void (Isa. 55:11).

### **CONCLUSION:**

SUMMARY: We have seen that--

1. We need to pray to God that this campaign will be successful.
2. We need to prepare ourselves for the task at hand.
3. When the time comes, let's get on with the task at hand.

APPEAL: If we do our part, and let the gospel do its part, great things are bound to happen.

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