

**Christ Delivers Us from a Slave Master
We Were Helpless to Get Free Of**

Romans 3.23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness ... 26 that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

* Redemption is ... Justification is ... Propitiation is ...

* Redemption basically means ... and has to do with ... from three ... which are ...

* The debt we were helpless to pay led to a judgment of ... in which we were given over to ..., all of which gave Satan a ...

* Through his ..., Christ paid the ... and satisfied the ... and in this way broke Satan's ...

* Don't think of Christ's offering of his life as the payment of a ... but as a ...

Heb 2.14 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

* How does Rev 12 show us the immediate result of Christ's work?

Rev 12.5 She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne ... 7 And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, 8 but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. 9 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. 10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. ... 13 Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. ... 17 And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

* How is the great commission relevant to this point?

Mat 28.18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All

authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

* What do these texts show us?

Matthew 12.22 Then one was brought to Him who was demon-possessed, blind and mute; and He healed him, so that the blind and mute man both spoke and saw. 23 And all the multitudes were amazed and said, "Could this be the Son of David?" 24 Now when the Pharisees heard it they said, "This fellow does not cast out demons except by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons." 25 But Jesus knew their thoughts, and said to them: ... 26 "If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? ... 28 But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you. 29 Or how can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? And then he will plunder his house."

Luke 10.1 ... the Lord appointed seventy others also, and sent them two by two before His face into every city and place where He Himself was about to go. ... 17 Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." 18 And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven."

2Cor 4.3 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

2Tim 2.25 in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, 26 and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.

* In the Bible, freedom is a matter of ... and redemption is a matter of ... (Isaiah 43.1; 1Cor 6.19-20)

* Even unbelievers instinctively want to ... and yet in this crazy post-modern world, we are always ... because while we want to ..., we also want to ...

* We have two choices: We can belong to the one who ... or to the One who ... Slavery is belonging to the one who ...; freedom is belonging to the One who ... (Luke 1.68, 71, 74-75)