



#### Calendar of Events for the Month of April 2018:

- Sunday, April 8th - Communion Sunday
- Sunday, April 29th (5th Sunday) - Vision & Mission's Sunday
- **NOTE:** All Sunday Services @ 10:30am and Wednesday Services @ 7:00pm

#### Upcoming Special Events:

- Sunday, April 15th @ 5:30pm - 7:00pm (All Ministry of Helps Leaders and Team Members) - Training Workshop - Session #1
- Sunday, April 22nd @ 5:30pm - 7:00pm (All Ministry of Helps Leaders and Team Members) - Training Workshop - Session #2
- Wednesday, April 25th @ 7:00pm - **NEW** Discipleship DVD Teaching Sessions
- Sunday, May 13th @ 10:30am - Mother's Day

#### Special Announcements:

- We will continue our **"Heart -4-The-House"** Campaign through the month of May to take us through the end of first phase of our planned Construction and Modifications of our new Church location. Our 4-month (Dec 2017— Mar 2018) total contributions = **\$5,011.92** (Our Initial Goal is: **\$8,000.00** or more).
- Pastors Ed & Cynthia request your feedback if you are interested in attending a fully accredited Bible College/University @ TWCC to earn up to a 2yr Associates Degree in Theology. Please email us or let us know if you are interested and are willing and available to attend Monday night classes beginning in August 2018.
- We are looking for passionate, friendly, available and willing volunteers to serve in our TWCC Ministry of Helps Team. Areas of need are: Ushers, Welcome Center, Sound, Audio & Video Team, Media Ministry, Safety Team, Children's, Youth, & Evangelism. See the Department Leader, CCB (TWCC's Intranet) or Pastor Cynthia for details on the MOH Application process and training, etc.

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**SERMON NOTES FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 8th, 2018**

**SERMON TITLE: "We are Redeemed by the Blood of Christ!"**

**Ephesians 1:7 (NKJV)** – "In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace"

- **(NLT)** – "He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins"

**Colossians 1:14 (NKJV)** – "In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins."

What is redemption? What was our Lord Jesus Christ doing when He died for us on the Cross, shed His Precious Blood and carried into the Heavenly Holy of Holies? What price did Christ pay for our sins and purchase our salvation? **1 Peter 2:18 – 19 (NKJV)** – "18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot."

**REDEMPTION THROUGH THE SON - JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD: Read Ephesians 1:7 - 10**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **is an accomplished fact in Christ.** Jesus said, "You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free," - **John 8:32.** The truth will not help you if you do not know it. You must \_\_\_\_\_ what God has done for you.
- **What have we been redeemed and made free from?**
- 1st – \_\_\_\_\_: "...In whom we have redemption through his blood..." - **Ephesians 1:7; Romans 6:14 (NKJV)** – "For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace."
- 2nd – \_\_\_\_\_: **Galatians 3:13 (NKJV)** – "13 Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"), 14 that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith." There are three simple, yet powerful statements made in **Galatians 3:13.** Let's take a closer look.
  - 1st - The first fact is that you are \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2nd - The second is what you are redeemed from—the \_\_\_\_\_ of the law.
  - 3rd - The third is what you were redeemed by—Christ was made a \_\_\_\_\_ for you. In other words, Christ took your curse so you could go free.
- 3rd – \_\_\_\_\_: **Psalms 107:2 (NKJV)** – "Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy; **Colossians 1:13 (NKJV)** – "He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love."
- 4th – \_\_\_\_\_: **Isaiah 51:11** – "Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away."; **Isaiah 53:4** - "Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows..."
- Did you know that as a believer you've been \_\_\_\_\_ from the curse of grief and sorrow by the blood of Jesus Christ? The enemy of your soul will begin to attack your \_\_\_\_\_ with grief and sorrow even before you lose a loved one, lose your job or business, or lose your good health.
- Friends, you and I have been **REDEEMED** from grief and sorrow and we have to \_\_\_\_\_ it just like you have to resist the temptations to sin, the sickness or disease that tries to invade your body or Satan who tries to enter your life or family situations with his deceitful and destructive work. YOU ARE THE REDEEMED! shouldn't partake of anything but \_\_\_\_\_!

**SERMON NOTES (CONTINUED...)**

**SERMON TITLE: "We are Redeemed by the Blood of Christ!"**

**ETERNAL REDEMPTION - GOD'S MASTERPIECE: Read Hebrews 9:11 – 14 (NKJV)**

- God's masterpiece happened in \_\_\_\_\_. What God did for us in the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ is the masterpiece. This is the greatest display of love, wisdom, power, and righteousness in the history of time and eternity. God did in Christ what He wanted to do in every \_\_\_\_\_. You must \_\_\_\_\_ what happened from the cross to the throne. God deposited all that He has in Christ and then He put you in Christ.
- The Bible is the story of man's redemption. The Bible is a \_\_\_\_\_ Book. All 66 books contain pictures of God's plan and purpose to restore man to Himself. Jesus can be found in every book of the Bible. The Bible is about Jesus, our Redeemer, and His work. The Holy Spirit is your tour guide as you study \_\_\_\_\_.
- **FIRST IMPORTANCE:** "For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the Scriptures." - **1 Corinthians 15:3,4**
- The death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus are the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Gospel. Paul says, "First of all I delivered unto you...." The Revised Standard Version translates this, "as of first importance." The New English Bible says, "First and foremost, I handed on to you the facts which had been imparted to me." Weymouth's translation says, "Before all else." The matter of first importance is what God did for us in Christ Jesus in the great plan of redemption. **Freedom through the payment of a \_\_\_\_\_ is the simple definition of redemption.**
- **Faith begins by knowing REDEMPTION \_\_\_\_\_.**
- **Christianity does not begin with something you do, but with something that has been \_\_\_\_\_ for you in Christ.**
- If everything Jesus did was for you, it is set to the credit of your account. You could say Jesus gets the \_\_\_\_\_ for everything that has been done, but you get the \_\_\_\_\_ because He was acting in your behalf.
- Redemption is not a temporary thing that must be added to by man or replaced later by something more effective. The **Amplified Bible** says, "...a complete redemption, an everlasting release." **A complete redemption \_\_\_\_\_ everything.** An everlasting release means it lasts \_\_\_\_\_. God has left nothing out. (We are REDEEMED – spiritually, physically, mentally, emotionally, relationally and financially!) **All that man needs is \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.** The past, present, and future have been taken care of. The spirit, soul, and the body have been taken care of — all because of what Jesus has done for us.

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