**April 7, 2019 Sermon and Community Group Notes**

1. **What is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ?**

* Supporting Scriptures Used: Matthew 20:28; Mark 10:45; 1 Timothy 2:5-6

1. **How are we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ?**

* Supporting Scriptures Used: 1 Peter 1:18-19; Hebrews 9:12, 15; Galatians 3:13

1. **What were we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_ ?**

* Supporting Scriptures Used: Galatians 3:13; 1 Peter 1:18; Titus 2:14

1. **What are we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_ ?**

* Supporting Scriptures Used: Ephesians 1:6; Colossians 1:14; Romans 3:24; Galatians 4:4-5; Titus 2:14; 1 Corinthians 6:20; 7:23; Acts 20:28; Ephesians 1:13-14; Revelation 5:9

**Community Group Discussion and Application Questions**

1. **What is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ?**
2. **How are we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ?**

**Comprehension Questions:**

* What is redemption?
  + What is the relationship between ransom and redemption?
  + What was the primary meaning of redemption (Gk *lutron*) in Jesus’ day?
* How is Jesus our redemption?
  + What does it mean that Jesus gave His life as a ransom for us?
  + How did Jesus redeem us through His blood, death and His cross?

**Application Questions:**

* Imagine yourself as a slave, as a prisoner in jail. Now imagine being freed from slavery, released from jail. Now think about Jesus’ death on the cross and the redemption He provides you through it. What do you want to say to Jesus? What is God speaking to you?

1. **What were we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_ ?**
2. **What are we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_ ?**

**Comprehension Questions:**

* What did Jesus redeem us from?
  + What does it mean that Jesus has redeemed us from the curse of legalism?
  + What does it mean that Jesus has redeemed us from the emptiness of relativism?
* What did Jesus redeem us to?
  + What is the relationship between redemption and forgiveness of sins?
  + What is justification? What is the relationship between redemption and justification?
  + What is adoption? What is the relationship between redemption and adoption?
  + What is sanctification? Redemption means that Jesus has bought us, so we belong to Him. What implications does this have for your life?
  + What is glorification? What is the relationship between redemption and glorification?

**Application Questions:**

* Of the 2 ways of life-legalism and relativism-which have you had more personal experience with? What does it mean for you that Jesus has freed you from both of these? How have you experienced this personally?
* Contemplate each of the 5 benefits of redemption: forgiveness, justification, adoption, sanctification, glorification. Which one means the most to you right now? Why? What do you want to say to Jesus? What is God speaking to you?