

The Time Of Redemption Now

Ephesians 1:3-14: „... In whom (in Jesus Christ) we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; ...”

And redemption has two different parts: "come out of" and "entering into." First, you have to come out. Some people want to bring the world in with them; **but you got to come out of the world to enter into Christ.** You have to come out of unbelief to enter into faith. There cannot be one thing in your way. To really have genuine faith, you must absolutely leave everything that's contrary to the Word of God behind to enter into faith (*Gal. 2:19-20*). [1]

And "to redeem," means "to be brought back from where you once was." See? He could not redeem the unbelievers, no matter how educated and how much doctors of degree they had. He could not redeem them, **because they were not redeemable;** they had to go to their destination.

You are in Him and a part of Him, because you were a part of the thinking of Him (*Psalms 139:14-18*). Before the foundation of the world, He called you (*Eph. 1:3-4; II Tim. 1:9-10*). [2]

Our Headship is in heaven. I'm not going to Rome; I'm going to heaven when I die. See, see? The Headship is in heaven.

And the Body must follow the Head (*Col. 1:18; Eph. 1:20-23*) as the wife follows the husband (*John 12:32; Eph. 5:22-23*). Being that Adam was not deceived, he walked out with Eve (*Gen. 1:22-24*). Eve was deceived (*I Tim. 2:12-15*). She was in the transgression, or the entire resurrection of the whole body would've come forth at the day of the Lord Jesus, when He come forth from the grave, **but He had to redeem Her, which is His Body.** She has to be redeemed in order to come to Him. Do you see it? Oh, my. See? It couldn't have happen then. **The redemption is going on.**

Now, you see the Seals when He was in His mediatorial work back there redeeming? But someday He comes forth to get this Book that He's redeemed (*Rev. 5:1-5*), **and all that's in this Book would be Him, for that's the believer, the Words in the Book,** and the Word is Him, and all that's in It. He come forth **for this Book of Redemption, whose names are written on the Book before the foundation of the world when He was slain as a Lamb** (*Rev. 17:8*). And here He is today in His Word, manifesting the same thing He did there. **She (the Bride) can't recognize another headship.** No, sir. There's no bishop, no nothing. She recognizes one Headship; that's Christ; **and Christ is the Word.** Oh, my. I love that. Yes, sir.

As the Head was taken up from the grave, so must His Body follow Him into Eden. Therefore, the Body cannot recognize any other headship, **but the Headship of the Word.** No denomination can put anything to It. [3]

But there's not one Scripture in the entire Bible but what will dovetail and connect with the next Scripture. Every bit of it is one great big picture, all the way from the garden of Eden and the way of Calvary, back to the garden again: just one great beautiful picture. [4]

Show plainly the predestinated is the only one that's considered in redemption. Did you get it? Let me say that again. The predestinated is the only one that's considered in redemption. People might be making like, think they are, **but the real redemption is those that are predestinated.** Because the very word "redeem" means "to bring back." Is that right? **To redeem anything is bring it back to its original place.** Hallelujah. So it's only the predestinated will be brought back, because the others didn't come from there. [5]

But the real, ordained of God, that real gene, that real germ, a soul of God that was in God before the foundation of the world... **Remember, you that's really got the Spirit of God in you, you were here in Christ, because He was the Fullness of the Word. He was the Fullness of the Godhead bodily.** God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself (*II Cor. 5:18-19*). Do you believe that? Look, He was in Christ. **Then if you were in God, a gene, a word, an attribute from the beginning, then you walked with Him here on earth;** you talked with Him on earth, you suffered with Him on earth; **you died with Him at Calvary;** and you rose with Him again (*Rom. 6:5-11*); and now you're setting in heavenly places in Christ Jesus (*Eph. 2:4-7*), communing with Him, the Word, as It feeds into your soul, that, "Man shall live by every Word that proceedeth..." (*Matt. 4:4*).

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So you see, if you were in the foreknowledge of God, then you are becoming a part of God. **And the only way you can be a son of God or a daughter of God, you had to be a part of God, and God isn't complete without you.** Has to be. That's right, 'cause there is One, only one resource of Eternal Life, and that is God, and Him alone has Eternal Life. See? Now, and you were a part of Him, insomuch that you're an attribute, or in His thinking in the beginning. And that, **because He thought of you in the beginning, it gives that little tug towards Him.** That's what has to be quickened. Some of them will never be quickened; they just don't have it; that's all. [7]

But you see, in this Book was what was redeemed; **it was the Book of Redemption.** And everything that He had redeemed was written in that Book. All that He died for was written in the Book, and **He could not leave His mediatorial seat until He had thoroughly redeemed, and He couldn't redeem it at the**

cross, because they were predestinated in the Lamb's Book of Life, **and had to stay on there to make intercession until that last person was finished.** Glory.

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Grace produced the Person of Jesus Christ (*John 1:14-18*). God stretched His tent, come from God to become a man. He changed His strain from the Almighty to be a man to take on the form of man, so He could die to redeem man (*Phil. 2:5-11*).

And God, the Creator of spirit, became kinfolks to us when He become man in order He could take our sin upon Him, and pay the price, and redeem us back to God again (*Rev. 5:1-10*). [9]

He will not rest **until He's done the full price of redemption** to redeem you, everything that you ever lost, everything that you were. [10]

There it is. There is the Redeemer. Christ has redeemed us now (*Eph. 1:7-8*). **We are now redeemed, but He has not claimed His possession yet.** Now, you might differ with that, but just hold on a minute; we'll see. See?

And what did He do now? **He's been back here interceding until His Blood has atoned for every person, and the Lamb now, knows what's written in the Book** (*I John 2:2*). So He knowed from the foundation of the world their names were in there (*Rev. 13:8*), so He has stood back here and done mediator work like this until every one that's been put in the Book **has been redeemed and it's finished**, and now He walks out.

He hasn't claimed it. See? If He took the Book of Redemption, **everything that Adam had and everything that he lost, Christ redeems back;** and He's already redeemed us, but He hasn't took the possession yet. **He cannot until the time appointed, and then will come the resurrection** (*Rev. 20:6*), and then the earth will be renewed again, and then He will take possession, His possession which He got when He redeemed us, but will do it at the appointed time. Oh, my.

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Now, the mystery of the Book is revealed when the Seals are broken. **And when the Seals completely are broken, the time of redemption is over, because the Lamb left the intercession post to walk out to take His claims.** He was a Mediator between that, **but when the real revelation happens on the Seals as they begin to break**, the Lamb is coming forth from the sanctuary. It's according to the Word. He come out of the midst and took the Book (*Rev. 5:6-7*). So He's no more Mediator, because even they **called Him a Lion, and that's the King**, and He's not a Mediator then. [11]

That secret had been in God's bosom all these years, covered by His right hand, Jesus. The Great Shepherd took upon Himself our guilt for us. Isaiah 53:5 said, *"He was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised for our iniquity. The chastisement of our peace was upon Him. And with His stripes we are*

healed." The secret of God's healing laid in the bosom of Jesus Christ, or God, He was on the right of God (*Rom. 8:31-34*); **that's the only sheep that held in His bosom the secret.** That's the reason the foreshadows of it had to always be a sheep. The first was a sheep (*Gen. 3:21*); the last was a Sheep. That's the reason it had to come to a shepherd, to know how to take care of his Sheep. You get it? Notice, "*He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquity, the chastisement of our peace upon Him.*"

And when the Great Shepherd, the Sheep prophet, when He said... On Calvary's cross, when He had paid the penalty of sin for us all, He said, "**It's finished.**" (*John 19:30*). Sin was over; the penalty was paid; debts were settled. It didn't take a year, or finally come into it in the days of some other reformer or something; it was finished right then.

Sin came in a moment by transgression of God's law, by breaking one Word. Tonight, my brethren, your soul is over hell on a chain. And that chain is not some theological seminary's teaching; that chain is not some denomination or some creed that you're living by; **that chain is God's Word.** Jesus gave the human race His Word to live by, and Eve only broke one little link of it. **And any chain is no stronger than its weakest link.** When you take one Word out...

And that minute, as soon as this Shepherd was smitten, it was over. **Sin is settled; there was no more sin. They were clean; the penalty was paid. The believers whose names were written in the Book of Life, predestinated from the foundation of the world, it was finished that very minute that Jesus said it was finished.** He, that Great Shepherd, had come for His sheep. It was finished.

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You're a Christian. You have rights to any **redemptive blessing** that Jesus died for you for. It's all yours (*I Cor. 3:23*). It's already paid for; you just have to believe it, not imagine it; but believe it, **and know that it's yours, and you can possess it.** [13]

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- [4] "Hear Ye Him" (58-0328), par. E-9
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[Bro. Branham in "Conduct-Order-Doctrine", pg. 724]