

12 Days of ThanksLiving, Day 7: Redemption

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"He has sent redemption to His people: He has commanded His covenant forever:" Psalm 111:9



redemption [ri-demp-shuh n] noun

1. an act of redeeming or atoning for a fault or mistake, or the state of being redeemed.
2. deliverance; rescue.
3. atonement for guilt.
4. repurchase, as of something sold.
5. recovery by payment, as of something pledged

Redemption is one of the most beautiful words in the whole of human language. The fact that One would atone for the sin of another is inhuman ... in fact, it's divine. In Hebrew the word *redemption* transliterates as *peduwth*, which means, "a division or distinction; from the primary sense of cutting." Cutting. The cutting of the whip in the flesh of Jesus ... the cutting

away of the bonds of sin from our hands and feet. The cutting away of old habits, attitudes and mindsets of the old life. The cutting away of sin and shame by the cutting of Jesus. **Redemption** enables us to live a lifestyle of ThanksLiving as God created us to be, righteous and free.

This ThanksLiving, let's give thanks to God for His gift of redemption.

Redemption of Purpose: Father, Your Word says we are Your workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which You prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. Thank You that You created us on purpose, for purpose. We confess we have used our gifts and talents for our own purposes. Please **redeem** every sinful act. We ask You to recommission our lives for Your purpose. Thank You for calling us to live effective, significant, purposeful lives for You.

Redemption of our Mind: We thank You, Father, that You have given us a sound mind. Your word says, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength. May we use our mind as tools to pursue You rather than instruments of sin. Please **redeem** every sinful habitual thought pattern by the truth of your Word. Thank you that You train our mind to think Your thoughts, that we might not sin against You.

Redemption of our Past: Dearest Father, we thank You that in Christ Jesus we have been completely redeemed. You have bought us back from the bondage of the Enemy with the precious blood of Christ. We are now free to live as slaves of righteousness. Where we have squandered our talents and treasures on sin and pleasure, Your Word promises to restore the years "the locusts have eaten." We give thanks that You give beauty for ashes. Every act and deed of our past has been redeemed for our good

and Your glory. We truly thank you. Help us to focus today on redemption as part of our lifestyle of ThanksLiving.

More Redemption

Redeeming the Time a blog post by Jane VanOsdol

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