

August 22, 2021 Declare the Gospel



Deaf Ministry, Est 1992

Deaf Bible Class, Est 6 Oct 2002

Sundays 830AM, Revels 103

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Class Secretary: Cindy Allen

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Deaf Church, Est 27 Apr 2014

Sundays 930AM, Revels 103

Pastor: Paul Chappell



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Sundays 5PM Pastor Chappell

Wednesdays 7PM Deaf Devotion Online

Vitals Signs Deaf Class 8.22.21 830am

Simple Life 7 . . . Surrender to God's Sovereignty

Ecclesiastes 8:17 Then I beheld all the work of God, that a man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun: because though a man labour to seek it out, yet he shall not find it; yea farther; though a wise man think to know it, yet shall he not be able to find it.

Simple life → more complicated when we . . .

1. Demand control of things
2. Demand answers to things we don't understand
3. Demand authority, power, judgment we don't have

We can contend with God or be content with God's authority.

We can contend with God's authority or consent to/accept God's authority.

1. Accept authority and "accidents."

Ecclesiastes 8:2a I counsel thee to keep the king's commandment, . . .

?who is highest king? King of Kings?

God rules supreme.

Ecclesiastes 8:4 Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?

God is the highest king, the King of Kings.

God controls accidents; I cannot.

I cannot demand an answer, "What doest thou?"

God answers to no one.

2. Accept "unavoidables" of life, unstoppable

Ecclesiastes 8:5 Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and judgment.

⁶ Because to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the misery of man is great upon him.

⁷ For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him when it shall be?

⁸ There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death: and there is no discharge in that war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.

A. Time continues forward . . . "time and judgment"

B. God's eternal purposes . . . "time and judgment"

God will judge . . . in His time.

C. Death, unpredictable appointment

"neither hath he power in the day of death"

D. Accountable to God

"neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it."

3. Accept "inexplicables"

Ecclesiastes 8:14 There is a vanity which is done upon the earth; that there be just men, unto whom it happeneth according to the work of the wicked; again, there be wicked men, to whom it happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also is vanity.

"What about all this evil . . . ?" . . . "time and judgment"

God will judge . . . in His time.

Rest with God or wrestle with God?

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"Because I'm Saved" . . . I'm Redeemed!

Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

1. Redeem = buy (person/thing)

A. Redeem people

Isaiah 52:3 For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money.

Jeremiah 31:11 For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he.

B. Redeem → new owner.

Isaiah 43:1 But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine.

Titus 2:14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

2. Redeemed by specific person

A. Redeemed by near kinsman.

Ruth 4:4 And I thought to advertise thee, saying, Buy it before the inhabitants, and before the elders of my people. If thou wilt redeem it, redeem it: but if thou wilt not redeem it, then tell me, that I may know: for there is none to redeem it beside thee; and I am after thee. And he said, I will redeem it.

B. Redeem requires special power.

Psalms 49:7 None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him:

3. Redeem → safety (from adversity, curse/law, sin).

A. Redeemed from adversity

2 Samuel 4:9b . . . As the LORD liveth, who hath redeemed my soul out of all adversity,

B. Redeemed → forgiveness of sins

Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

C. Redeemed eternally

Hebrews 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

4. Redemption's 3 basic meanings in the Bible.

A. Redemption = bought at the market.

1 Corinthians 6:20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

B. Redemption = bought & taken off the market, never to be bought/sold again.

Galatians 3:13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

C. Redemption = bought & set free

Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

1. I'm a child of God by adoption, God is my Heavenly Father . . . now!
2. I'm forgiven . . . no guilt . . . no punishment . . . no Hell . . . no fear of those (now) because God's grace.
3. I'm justified . . . God removed my guilt . . . gave me His righteousness . . . peace with God now!
4. I'm reconciled . . . before enemies . . . now friends!
5. I'm sealed . . . have God's stamp of approval (now) . . . accepted in the beloved . . . I belong to Him . . . the Holy Spirit will present me to the Lord Jesus Christ.
6. I'm redeemed . . . Jesus Christ has bought me with His own blood and set me free.