



“rescued” – *ruomy*

- To draw to one’s self, includes the idea of **power**
- In order to rescue somebody, you have to have the power to **overcome** whatever it is that holds them.

“the dominion of darkness”

- *exousias* – the **power**, jurisdiction, or authority
- “darkness” is used in Scripture to represent several things, but they boil down to **sin**, death, & **Satan**.
- *Luke 22:53*
- For those outside of Christ, that darkness is a **permanent** personal state of captivity and existence unless they are rescued.
- *Ephesians 2:1-3*

“brought into the Kingdom of the Son He loves”

- *mephistimi* – **transferred** or changed
- *Romans 14:17*
- “Kingdom” is not a matter of place; it is a matter of **rule**.

“redemption” – *apolutrosis*

- To deliver by payment of a **ransom**
- *Ephesians 5:2; Hebrews 9:14; Romans 3:23*
- The ransom price of our release from the deserved condemnation of God as Judge is the **life** of Christ.

Redemption is **how** God rescued us from darkness.

Forgiveness is how He brings us into the Kingdom of the Son He loves.

“forgiveness” – *aphesin*

- *apo* = “**from**”; *heimi* = to “**send**”
- *Psalms 103:12*

Ephesians 1:7

Forgiveness cost us nothing. That’s why we call it **grace**. But it cost Jesus His life. That’s why we call it **just**.

Our Right Response

Verse 12 – **Thankfulness** for what Jesus has done should never be routine for us, but it should always be the norm.

Verse 10 – If we have been brought into the Kingdom of the Son He loves, then there is a tremendous responsibility to rightly **represent** our King.

Hebrews 12:28

**Jesus, show us your glory
and help it change our **life** today.**

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