

Questions for the Week



Connect (pick 1 question to ask the group)

1. What can we pray for together this week?
2. Where have you seen God working in your life this week?

Study (Read Job 19:23-29, Ephesians 1:4, Colossians 1:14)

1. “Redemption” and “redeem” are words that we often use in church, but rarely define. What do those words mean? (Feel free to look up the definition) What do we mean when we say that God is our “redeemer”?
2. In the beginning of Colossians and Ephesians the author emphasizes that we are redeemed in Christ. Why do you think that is foundational for Christians to believe?
3. Job cries out to God as his redeemer in the midst of his pain. How does the hope of redemption affect our pain and doubt?
4. Some Bible teachers describe God’s kingdom as “already/not yet.” This means that there are things that God already makes right on earth, and things that will not be made right until eternity. Is there something you have already seen God redeem in this life? Is there something you are still waiting to be redeemed later, or in eternity?
5. Who needs to hear about God’s redemption of your story so that they can trust God to redeem theirs?

Reflect

1. Based on this passage, is there anything you personally need to confess, consider, or surrender to God?
2. Is there any relationship or situation in your life that this story applies to?

Leader Notes

Redemption has a common use in modern English. You redeem a coupon for 40% off of bacon or you redeem a gift card by spending it at the proper place. There is something that has an innate value that cannot be accessed unless it is used the right way in the right place. A Walmart coupon is useless at home depot, but valuable at Walmart. The value is available when it is used in the right way. God will use our life circumstances no matter how they came about or how dark they are. His redemption gives all parts of our lives value by using them for good.