



Redemption Rights!
Sunday Sermon
Sunday April 26, 2026 – Sermon Outline

EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION

The American Civil War (**1861–1865**) was fought between the Union (United Northern states led by President Abraham Lincoln, aiming to preserve the Union and abolish slavery) and the Confederate States of America (11 seceded Southern states led by Jefferson Davis, fighting for independence to maintain slavery and states' rights). It began on April 12, 1861, and lasted for about four years with the main Confederate army surrendering in April 1865.

On **January 1, 1863**, Abraham Lincoln issued **the Emancipation Proclamation** during the American Civil War, declaring that all enslaved people in Confederate states were legally free. The Emancipation Proclamation remains a foundational document of American freedom. Though it did not end slavery by itself, it set the United States on a path toward constitutional abolition and reshaped the nation's ideals of liberty and equality. Symbolically, it marked the beginning of the end of legalized slavery in the United States.

However, many enslaved people did not immediately experience freedom, even though it had already been declared. Here is why:

- Some never heard the proclamation.
- Some heard but didn't believe it.
- Some believed it but didn't act on it, often out of fear or uncertainty.
- Others heard, believed, and stepped into freedom—leaving plantations, walking away from bondage, and beginning new lives.

DELAYED FREEDOM

In places like Texas, enforcement didn't come until **June 19, 1865** (now celebrated as Juneteenth). That's over two years after freedom had already been declared.

So legally, they were free—but experientially, many remained bound until they:

- Received the news
- Accepted it as true
- Acted on it

THE REDEMPTION PARALLEL

1. Redemption accomplished - Redemption has already been accomplished for us through Christ.



2. Ignorance of redemption - Some believers live without awareness of what Christ has done, like those who never heard the proclamation.
3. Unbelief or doubt - Some hear but question whether it really applies to them.
4. Failure to exercise rights - Others believe, but continue living in patterns of bondage-fear, sin, condemnation-because they don't step into their freedom.
5. Exercising redemption rights - And then, there are those who understand and act on their freedom and walk into liberty. For us as believers this is:
 - Renouncing bondage
 - Embracing our identity in Christ as redeemed people
 - Living with authority, freedom, and in our inheritance as God's redeemed people

The Emancipation Proclamation didn't gradually make people free—it declared them free. But their experience of freedom depended on their response. In the same way, our redemption in Christ is complete. But it must be known, believed, and exercised upon to be truly experienced and enjoyed by all believers.

LIBERATION OF PRISONERS

During the final stages of World War II (1944–1945), the conflict was characterized by a global Allied offensive against the shrinking Axis powers, with nearly all of the world's nations involved to some degree. The Allies (United States, United Kingdom, Soviet Union, China, others) consisted of over 40 nations. The Axis Powers (Germany, Japan, others). Finally, Germany surrendered on May 7-8, 1945, and Japan surrendered on September 2, 1945.

In **1944–1945**, Allied forces advanced into Nazi-occupied Europe and began freeing prisoners from concentration camps such as Auschwitz concentration camp, Buchenwald concentration camp, and Dachau concentration camp.

For example:

The Soviet Red Army liberated Auschwitz in January 1945.

The United States Army liberated Buchenwald and Dachau in April 1945.

When soldiers entered these camps, they announced that the prisoners were free. The authority of the oppressor was broken. Legally and physically, the captives were no longer under Nazi control.

However, even after liberation:

1. Some prisoners didn't immediately leave - They were too weak physically. They were mentally conditioned to captivity. Some couldn't comprehend that freedom was real.



2. Some hesitated or feared stepping out - Years of oppression had shaped their thinking. Freedom felt unfamiliar-even intimidating.

3. Others embraced freedom quickly - As soon as they heard and understood, they walked out of the camps. They began the long process of rebuilding their lives.

THE REDEMPTION PARALLEL

This mirrors our spiritual redemption:

- **Satan's authority has been broken** - Just as Allied forces destroyed the authority of the captors, Christ has broken the dominion of darkness.
- **God's Word has declared our freedom** - The prisoners didn't free themselves-their freedom was accomplished by another.
- **We need to know the truth** - Some prisoners didn't immediately realize they were free. Similarly, believers may not fully understand what Christ has done.
- **We must have our minds renewed to redemption realities** - Even after being freed, many still thought like prisoners. Spiritually, this reflects the need for the renewal of the mind.
- **We must step into freedom** - Freedom became experiential when prisoners walked out. In the same way, believers must exercise their **redemption rights**-choosing to live in truth, authority, freedom and in the inheritance we have in Christ.

Our redemption in Christ has been fully accomplished yet not fully experienced by many.

Our redemption in Christ must be heard, understood, believed, and acted upon

The Bible teaches us about our redemption. Believers need to know about their redemption, their redemption rights and then exercise their redemptive rights and privileges.

A LACK OF KNOWLEDGE

Hosea 4:6

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge...

Isaiah 5:13

Therefore my people have gone into captivity, Because they have no knowledge;...

Even though we have access to a lot of resources, yet many believers do not have knowledge of their redemption rights and privileges. Perhaps they have heard of it, but not really believed or don't know how to act and receive what Christ has provided for us through His redeeming work on the Cross.



WE HAVE BEEN REDEEMED

Colossians 1:13-14

13 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,

14 in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

Notice the past tense of this Scripture.
The work has already been done.

We have been delivered and redeemed from sin and satan.

Satan has no more claim over us or right over us.

Satan comes to steal, kill and destroy.

Sickness is a work of satan.

Every work that satan attempts against us – temptations, bondages, destruction, sickness, etc. etc. we can resist, renounce and reject. We do not have to accept or tolerate these.

BELIEVE IN OUR REDEEMER AND THE REDEMPTION HE HAS PROVIDED

Luke 4:18-19

18 "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE HAS ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR; HE HAS SENT ME TO HEAL THE BROKENHEARTED, TO PROCLAIM LIBERTY TO THE CAPTIVES AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET AT LIBERTY THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED;

19 TO PROCLAIM THE ACCEPTABLE YEAR OF THE LORD."

Three times in this passage there is reference to Christ bringing liberty and freedom to the captives and the oppressed. The “acceptable year of the Lord”, is a reference to the 50th year of Jubilee, when every debt was cancelled and every slave could walk free. The Year of Jubilee described in Book of Leviticus 25. The Jubilee (every 50th year) was when debts were cancelled, slaves were freed, land was restored to original families. Hence the “acceptable year” speaks of God's appointed season of favor and mercy bringing redemption, restoration, and reset.

Christ is our Redeemer and He accomplished what He said He was anointed to do!

Hebrews 9:12



Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, **having obtained eternal redemption.**

When we were without Christ, we were under the dominion of darkness - sin and satan. But now, we have been delivered and redeemed!

EMBRACING REDEMPTION REALITIES

1 Corinthians 6:20

For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

God paid a great price to redeem us to Himself. It took the Cross of Jesus Christ – a great price – to redeem us. Why would we not want to believe and embrace our redemption, take a hold of our redemption rights and stand our ground in what God paid to give to us.

LET THE REDEEMED OF THE LORD SAY SO!

Psalm 107:2

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,

Revelation 12:11

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

One of the important ways we embrace our redemption rights, stand our ground, and lay hold of what is ours – is to make a declaration of our redemption.

We know what we are redeemed from – and any time satan attempts to bring his evil works on us – we resist by boldly declaring what Jesus did for us in redeeming us through His blood.

STAND IN YOUR REDEMPTION RIGHTS

Satan is...

...a tempter who seeks to get us away from God's will and plan.

...an intruder who attempts to enter where he is not welcome.

...an accuser who seeks to keep us feeling condemned and unloved.



...a deceiver who lies to us to keep us from believing the truth.
...a usurper of authority in order to wrongfully oppress, torment and hold captive.
...a thief who attempts to take what is not his.
...an adversary who attempts to obstruct, hinder and stop us from doing what God desires.

He is a defeated enemy who has been stripped of all claim and authority over us.

We have been redeemed. We must stand our ground and walk in our redemption rights.

When we speak of our redemption rights - it is God who gave us these rights. He is not the One we are contending with. It the enemy who wants to thwart our redemption rights and it against him that we resist and stand strong in what God has given to us.

GOSPEL AND SALVATION CALL

SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME

Minister as the Spirit leads



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This is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 1.5 to 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

Preparation

Life Group Leader: To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon or review the Sunday Sermon notes. Please do not make your life group read through the complete sermon notes during the life group. All you need to do is have individuals read the Scriptures listed below and then open for a time of discussion, sharing and learning using the questions given below. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our [sermons page](#). Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

LISTEN to God's Word

Read the following Scripture references: *see below*

INVESTIGATE God's Word Together

Life Group is a discussion-based, participatory meeting with everyone given the opportunity to share their learning. Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

1, In your observation are believers today well taught and disciplined in the truth of our redemption in Christ and how we walk in our redemption rights? According to Hosea 4:6, Isaiah 5:13 what happens when believers are ignorant of spiritual realities?



2, According to Colossians 1:13-14, Luke 4:18-19, Hebrews 9:12, 1 Corinthians 6:20 our redemption is a completed work. Jesus accomplished it for us. Consider what we are redeemed from - and how this affects our daily lives and how we should live as redeemed people of God?

3, Why is important to declare our redemption rights according to Psalm 107:2, Revelation 12:11? Consider some day-to-day parallels, where we "enjoy" something, only if we "say so" and otherwise if we "keep silent" risk losing what is rightfully ours.

Each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key insights and how they see themselves applying it to their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow, bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

1, families to be protected and strengthened

2, a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.

3, for the BUILD TO IMPACT project - for all details to go well as we plan and build our Bible college and church facilities to serve the Lord and people.

Close by thanking God together.



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USEFUL RESOURCES

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WEBSITE: <https://apcwo.org/live>

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CHURCH: <https://apcwo.org>

FREE SERMONS: <https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons>

FREE BOOKS: <https://apcwo.org/books/english>

DAILY DEVOTIONALS: <https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional>

JESUS CHRIST: <https://examiningjesus.com>

BIBLE COLLEGE: <https://apcbiblecollege.org>

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SERMON OUTLINE

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