

Message Notes

The Exodus

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(taken from the New International Version)

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Saved? From What?!?

NOT:

*Lack of Prosperity
To Live Carefree
Temptation
Suffering*

So, what are we actually rescued from?
SIN!!

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Exodus 12:31-42

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The Gospel
According to
Moses
a study of exodus

Purpose of the Exodus

Exodus 9:13-18

¹³Then the LORD said to Moses, “Get up early in the morning, confront Pharaoh and say to him, ‘This is what the LORD, the God of the Hebrews, says: Let my people go, so that they may worship me, ¹⁴or this time I will send the full force of my plagues against you and against your officials and your people, so you may know that there is no one like me in all the earth.

Purpose of the Exodus

Exodus 10:1-3

¹Then the LORD said to Moses, “Go to Pharaoh, for I have hardened his heart and the hearts of his officials so that I may perform these signs of mine among them ²that you may tell your children and grandchildren how I dealt harshly with the Egyptians and how I performed my signs among them, and that you may know that I am the LORD.”



Waters Turn to Blood
Exodus 7:14-25



Amphibians (Frogs)
Exodus 7:26-8:11



Gnats (Lice)
Exodus 8:12-15



Flies
Exodus 8:16-28



Disease on Livestock
Exodus 9:1-7

The Ten Plagues of Egypt



Unhealable Boils
Exodus 9:8-12



Hail and Fire
Exodus 9:13-35



Locusts
Exodus 10:1-20



Darkness
Exodus 10:21-29



Death of First-Born
Exodus 11:1-12:36

The Plague to end all Plagues

Exodus 10:28-11:8

¹Now the LORD had said to Moses, “I will bring one more plague on Pharaoh and on Egypt. After that, he will let you go from here, and when he does, he will drive you out completely. ²Tell the people that men and women alike are to ask their neighbors for articles of silver and gold.” ³(The LORD made the Egyptians favorably disposed toward the people, and Moses himself was highly regarded in Egypt by Pharaoh’s officials and by the people.)

The Plague to end all Plagues

Exodus 10:28-11:8

⁴So Moses said, “This is what the LORD says: ‘About midnight I will go throughout Egypt. ⁵Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, from the firstborn son of Pharaoh, who sits on the throne, to the firstborn son of the female slave, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of the cattle as well. ⁶There will be loud wailing throughout Egypt—worse than there has ever been or ever will be again. ⁷But among the Israelites not a dog will bark at any person or animal.’ Then you will know that the LORD makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel. ⁸All these officials of yours will come to me, bowing down before me and saying, ‘Go, you and all the people who follow you!’ After that I will leave.”

Then Moses, hot with anger, left Pharaoh.

Passover Mercy

Exodus 12:25-30

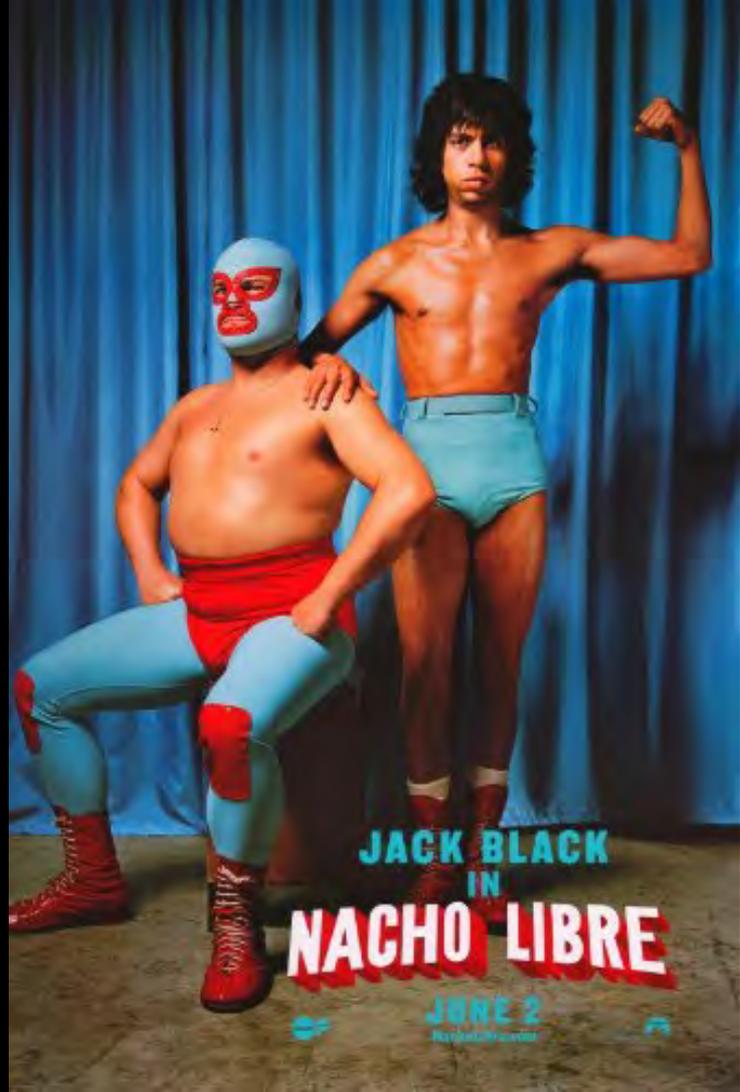
²⁵When you enter the land that the LORD will give you as he promised, observe this ceremony. ²⁶And when your children ask you, 'What does this ceremony mean to you?' ²⁷then tell them, 'It is the Passover sacrifice to the LORD, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt and spared our homes when he struck down the Egyptians.' " Then the people bowed down and worshiped. ²⁸The Israelites did just what the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron.

Passover Judgment

Exodus 12:25-30

²⁹At midnight the LORD struck down all the firstborn in Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh, who sat on the throne, to the firstborn of the prisoner, who was in the dungeon, and the firstborn of all the livestock as well. ³⁰Pharaoh and all his officials and all the Egyptians got up during the night, and there was loud wailing in Egypt, for there was not a house without someone dead.

Today's Message:
The Exodus:
Seeing the Salvation of God
Exodus 12:31-42



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GET THAT CORN OUTTA MY FACE!

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Exodus 12:31-32

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Why would Pharaoh finally cave in to every demand made by Yahweh on behalf of his people so that he declared them free to “leave my people” (v. 31), that is, to separate from Egypt and the Egyptians, the very thing the official, long-term Egyptian governmental strategy had sought to prevent? Why would he now grant the “final” freedom that had been denied even after the horrendous plague of darkness, that of taking “your flocks and herds, as you have said” (v. 32; cf. 10:24-27)?



The answer is implied in Pharaoh’s request to Moses, quoted at the end of v. 32, “And also bless me.” In Moses’ carefully crafted narrative, the last

time an Israelite blessed a pharaoh was when Jacob blessed the pharaoh whom Joseph served as prime minister (Gen 47:7, 10). That was the last *recorded* time in Moses' story of the Israelites that the Egyptian king had accepted a blessing from an Israelite, an act that indicated appreciation and respect for the leader of the people who had come to live among the Egyptians. Now this



showed by his request that *he* had made the spiritual-psychological shift (however temporary it may in fact have been) to the same sort of position of respect and appreciation for the Israelites as that embodied in their leader.

~ Douglas K. Stuart, *Exodus*, vol. 2, The New American Commentary

(Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 2006), 202-204

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Exodus 12:33-36

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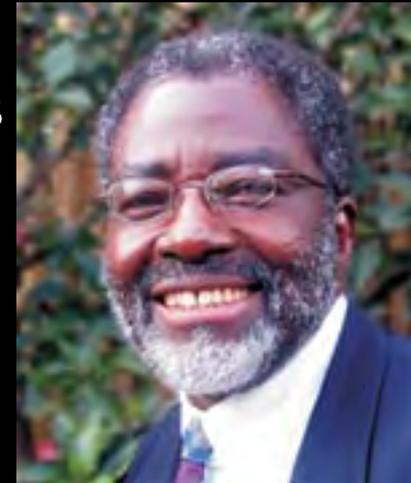
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When the people finally left Egypt, they must have felt like they were living a dream. They left from Rameses (a city they had built—1:11) heading east towards Succoth. There were a vast number of them, for if we add the probable numbers of women and children to the *six hundred thousand men on foot* (Exodus 12:37), it is likely that there were at least two million people who left Egypt. Not everyone who left was an Israelite; there were a large number of non-Israelites (Exodus 12:38). Some of them were probably members of other minorities who took the opportunity to leave a country where they did not feel welcome or happy. Some may even have been Egyptians who had become dissatisfied with Pharaoh's rule and had become converts to the God of Israel.



~ Tokunboh Adeyemo, *Africa Bible Commentary*
(Nairobi, Kenya; Grand Rapids, MI: WordAlive Publishers; Zondervan, 2006), 102.

The Faithfulness of God

Exodus 12:31-42

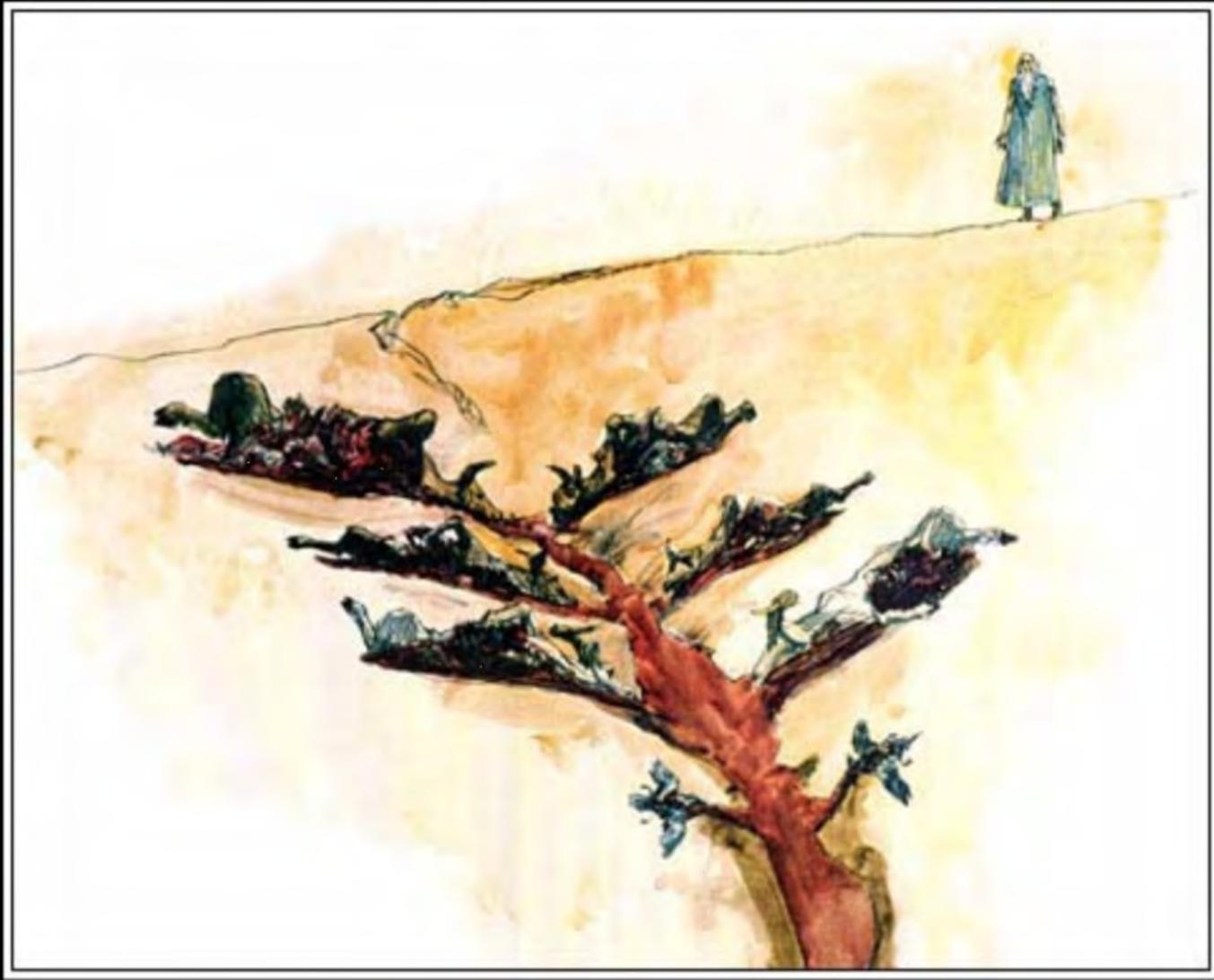
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Genesis 15:8-21

⁸But Abram said, “Sovereign LORD, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?”

⁹So the LORD said to him, “Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon.”

¹⁰Abram brought all these to him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half. ¹¹Then birds of prey came down on the carcasses, but Abram drove them away.



Genesis 15:8-21

¹²As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. ¹³Then the LORD said to him, “Know for certain that for four hundred years your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own and that they will be enslaved and mistreated there. ¹⁴But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions. ¹⁵You, however, will go to your ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age. ¹⁶In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure.”

Genesis 15:8-21

¹⁷When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces.

¹⁸On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram and said,
“To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates — ¹⁹the land of the Kenites, Kenizzites, Kadmonites, ²⁰Hittites, Perizzites, Rephaites, ²¹Amorites, Canaanites, Girgashites and Jebusites.”

Gospel Implication

Jeremiah 32:17-23

¹⁷“ Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you. ¹⁸You show love to thousands but bring the punishment for the parents’ sins into the laps of their children after them. Great and mighty God, whose name is the LORD Almighty, ¹⁹great are your purposes and mighty are your deeds. Your eyes are open to the ways of all mankind; you reward each person according to their conduct and as their deeds deserve.

Jeremiah 32:17-23

²⁰You performed signs and wonders in Egypt and have continued them to this day, in Israel and among all mankind, and have gained the renown that is still yours. ²¹You brought your people Israel out of Egypt with signs and wonders, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm and with great terror. ²²You gave them this land you had sworn to give their ancestors, a land flowing with milk and honey. ²³ They came in and took possession of it, but they did not obey you or follow your law; they did not do what you commanded them to do. So you brought all this disaster on them.

*For Unto Us Is Born A
Savior . . .*

Luke 2:10-12

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**SAVED?!?
FROM WHAT?!?!**



PROSPERITY

Because God wants us to have more cash.

1 Timothy 6:6-11a

⁶But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. ⁹Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. ¹¹But you, man of God, flee from all this...

LIVING YOUR LIFE

carefree



John 16:33

**“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace.
In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have
overcome the world.”**

TEMPTATION



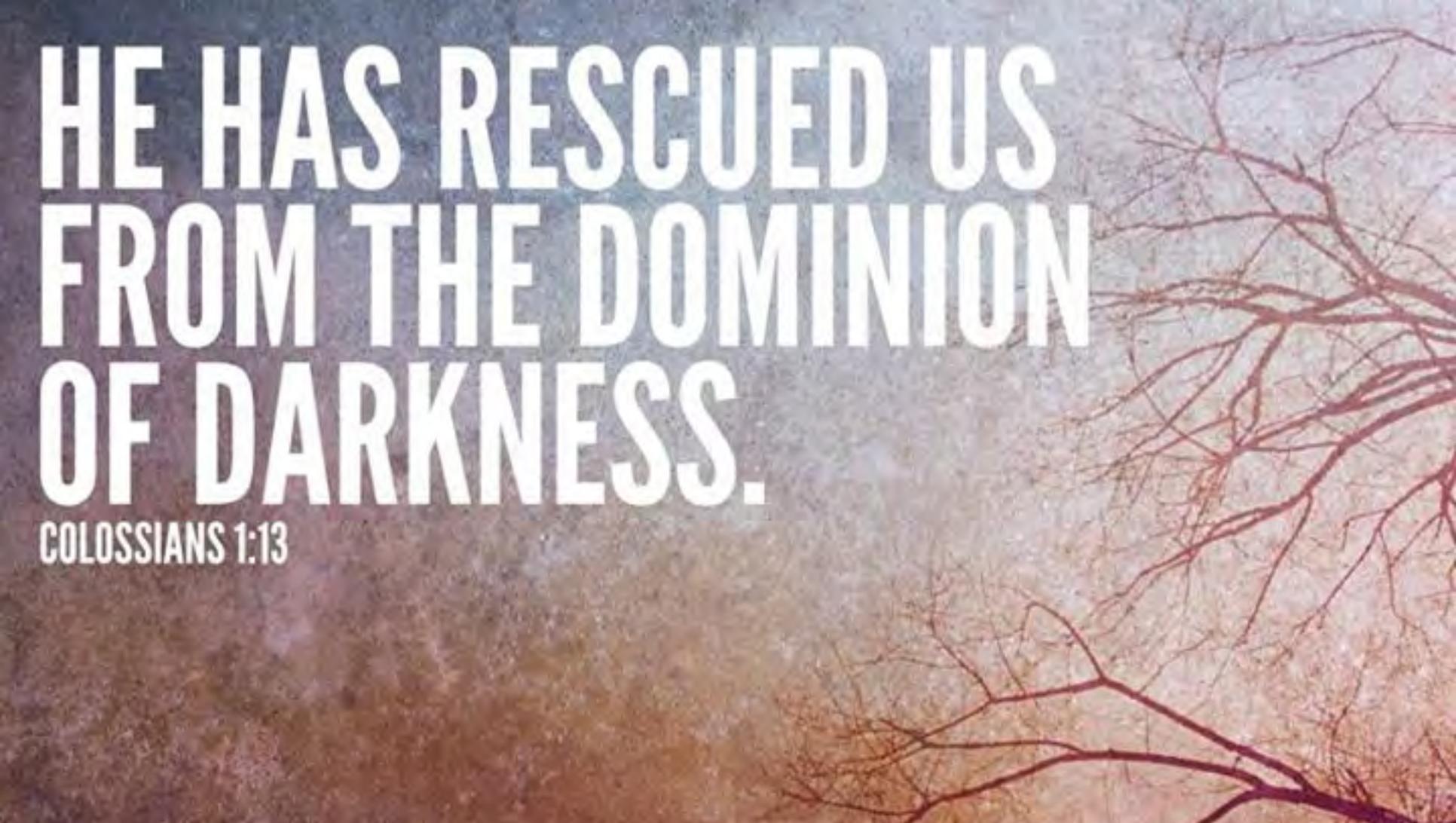
1 Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.



Revelation 21:3-6

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**HE HAS RESCUED US
FROM THE DOMINION
OF DARKNESS.**

COLOSSIANS 1:13

Our problem was this: our sinning had not ceased with our professions of faith. The salvation that had promised us new life in Christ had by all appearances failed to deliver. We still made all the same mistakes, and along the thorny path of adolescence we added fresh failures to the list. Damning evidence, or so we thought, that when we Prayed The Prayer we had somehow not done it right. Where was the freedom from sin we had been promised? Looking back I wonder if, for many of us, our problem was not with salvation itself, but with our understanding of how salvation brings freedom. Not until my early 20s did I gain any clarity on this issue.



I knew I served a God who *was and is and is to come*, but I had yet to learn that I possessed from him a salvation of which the same could be said. Salvation from sin can be broken down into three categories: justification, sanctification, and glorification. For the believer, our justification *was*, our sanctification *is*, and our glorification *is to come*. We were saved, we are being saved, we will be saved. I've found the easiest way to understand these three forms of freedom is to remember the three P's: penalty, power, and presence.



~ Jen Wilken, *How Salvation Brings Freedom*, March 2015. Blog post from The Gospel Coalition website:
<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/how-salvation-brings-freedom/>

Rescued from
THE PENALTY OF SIN (Justification)

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John 3:16-18

¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

Rescued from THE PENALTY OF SIN (Justification)

1 John 5:11-13

¹¹And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

When we came to saving faith in Christ, confessing our great need of him and asking for forgiveness from the punishment we deserved, we were met with God's unequivocal "yes." Since Christ bore the penalty for our sins, we received freedom from that penalty for all sins past, present, and future. We were justified before God our judge because our penalty had been paid. Those who have been justified never need re-justifying. We can look back to the time of our justification (perhaps written in the front of our Bible?) and know that there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus (Rom. 8:1-2). Our justification is behind us. It is a past occurrence. *We were saved* from sin's penalty.



~ Jen Wilken, *How Salvation Brings Freedom*, March 2015. Blog post from The Gospel Coalition website: <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/how-salvation-brings-freedom/>

Rescued from
THE POWER OF SIN (Sanctification)

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Romans 6:11-14

¹¹In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. ¹²Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. ¹³Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.

Now that the grace of God has been set upon us as a permanent seal (2 Cor. 1:20–22), we are being made new. We are being set free from the power of sin by the power of the Spirit. God's grace is restoring to us a will that wants what he wants. Before we were justified, our broken wills were utterly subject to the power of sin. We chose sin at every turn. Even when we made choices that appeared good from an external standpoint, because we had no higher internal purpose than to glorify self these choices were ultimately sinful as well. Now, the power of sin is broken. We have been given the deposit of the Holy Spirit. Though we once chose only to sin, now we have the power (and the growing desire) to choose righteousness.



We who were once slaves to sin's power are now free to serve God. We don't always use our freedom. We still sin, but over time we learn increasingly to choose holiness. Our entire lives from that handwritten date in our Bibles onward are devoted to "working out our salvation" (Phil. 2:12–13) as we learn to choose righteousness instead of sin, to walk in obedience to God's commands.

Our sanctification is ongoing. It is a slow-moving growth in holiness. *We are being saved* from sin's power.



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John 17:1-3

After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:
“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. ²For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. ³Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

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We will fight to grow in holiness our entire earthly lives. But when we have run the race and fought the good fight, we will enter into the presence of the Lord forever. We will be glorified. In his presence, our soul rest will at last be complete, as sin and its devastation will cease to assail us. There can be no evil in his presence. Though now we are surrounded on all sides by sinfulness, though now sin continues to cling to our hearts, on a day not too distant we will go to a place where sin is no more. In our glorification we will at last be granted freedom from the very presence of sin.

Our glorification is coming. It is the day we trade the persistent presence of sin for the perfect presence of the Lord. We *will be saved* from sin's presence.



Gospel Application:

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Are you rescued?

*Do you expect things from this rescue
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Are you enjoying the fruit of your exodus?