

BIG TRUTH: THE CHURCH IS A REDEEMED PEOPLE

Ephesians 1:7; Colossians 1:14; Luke 1:68; Hebrews 9:12; Nehemiah 1:10; Isaiah 43:1

BIBLE VERSE: ROMANS 3:23-25A

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.”

BIG IDEAS

- Redemption is God’s action of purchasing a people out of slavery.
- Jesus was the atoning sacrifice to pay the price for our freedom and redemption.
- Sin no longer has power over those who have been set free in Christ.

BIBLE PASSAGE: EXODUS 12; HEBREWS 9-10

UNITE: LIVING IN COMMUNITY

The Unite year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are brought into the family of God- seen throughout the Old Testament as “God’s People” and in the New Testament and today as the church (Exodus 6:7; Colossians 1:18). We are set free from our sin to walk in freedom in Christ (Galatians 5:1) and use our influence to call others to do the same.

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know...

- God has always been making and keeping a people for Himself
- In this age, the church is God’s people
- Being a part of God’s people should inform every aspect of our lives



Every student should feel...

- Love for God and the people of God
- Accountable to God and to the church to pursue holiness
- Responsible to use their influence to make much of God alone



Every student should strive to...

- Study the connections between God’s people in the Old Testament
- and the church in the New Testament
- Memorize the Bible verse each week
- Invite others into God’s people, the church



Every student should want...

- Be marked by their faith
- Talk about God every day, in every setting and circle of influence
- Live as a faithful member of their local church

FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter the truth that the church is a redeemed people. We will pray for them to live as a redeemed people as we lead them to practice putting of the sin that no longer has power over them.



Read Exodus 12 and Hebrews 9-10 this week. Answer the questions below in a journal and discuss these chapters with your son or daughter:

- What is the relationship between freedom and redemption?
- In Exodus 12, what are the elements of the Passover? How do these foreshadow the coming of Jesus?
- In Exodus 12, how is God's faithfulness revealed through His rescue of the Israelites?
- Why is it significant that God rescues His people from their bondage to the Egyptians?
- In Hebrews 9, how do the priests' sacrifices pale in comparison to Jesus' ultimate sacrifice?
- In Hebrews 10, what redemption does Jesus purchase for all who believe in Him?
- What kinds of things are evidence that a person has been redeemed by Christ? Consider how to help your son or daughter evaluate if these things are true of their life.



Pray with your son or daughter this week.

- Ask the Holy Spirit to help them walk in the freedom they have in Jesus.
- Pray with your student this week. Ask God to help them see that they are set free from the power sin has over them and they can live obediently to Jesus.



Spend time memorizing Romans 3:23-25a with your son or daughter.

- Write the verses on index cards and review them with your son or daughter.
- Help your son or daughter make a list of habitual sins that they struggle with. Share some of the attitudes and behaviors that you struggle with each day. Discuss the way that Jesus' sacrifice has set you free from the power the sin has over you.
- Meet with your student to discuss practical ways the church can live in obedience to God by loving unconditionally, praying for one another, and forgiving one another because sin has no power over believers.